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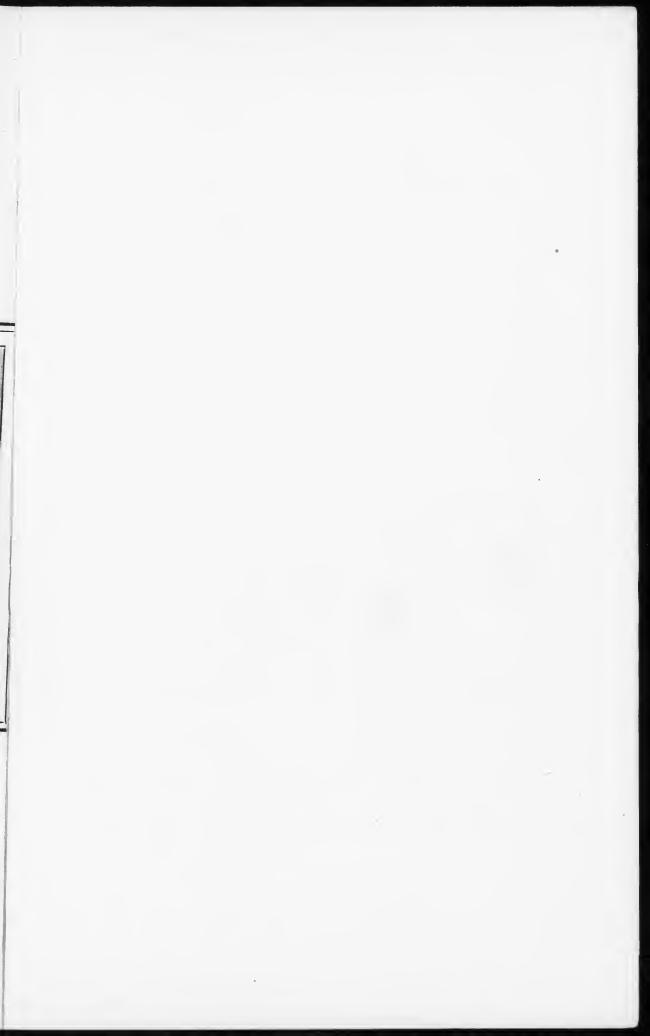
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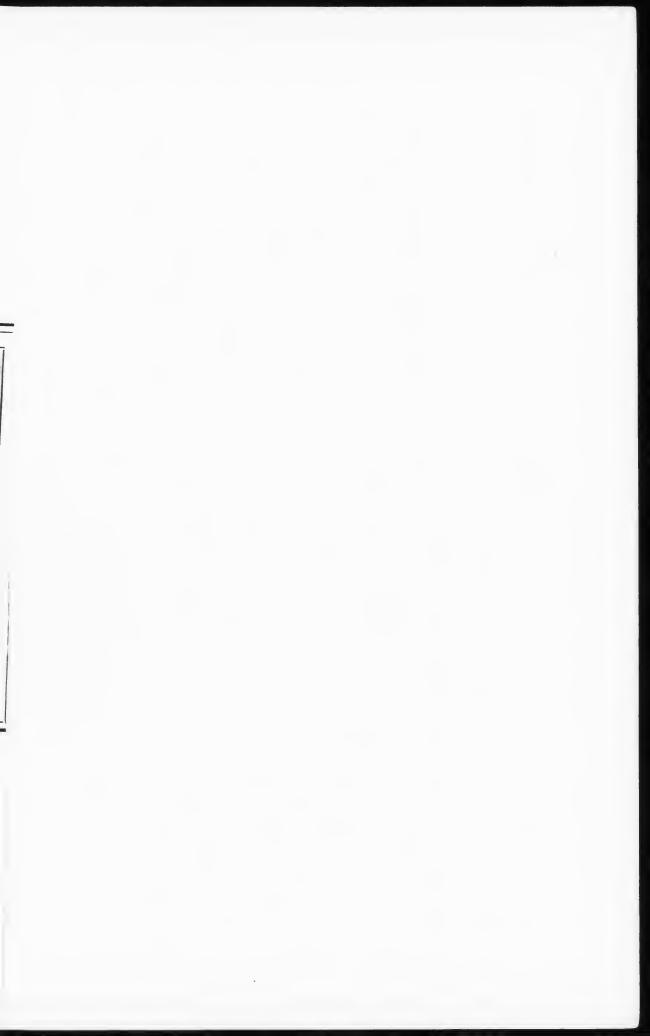
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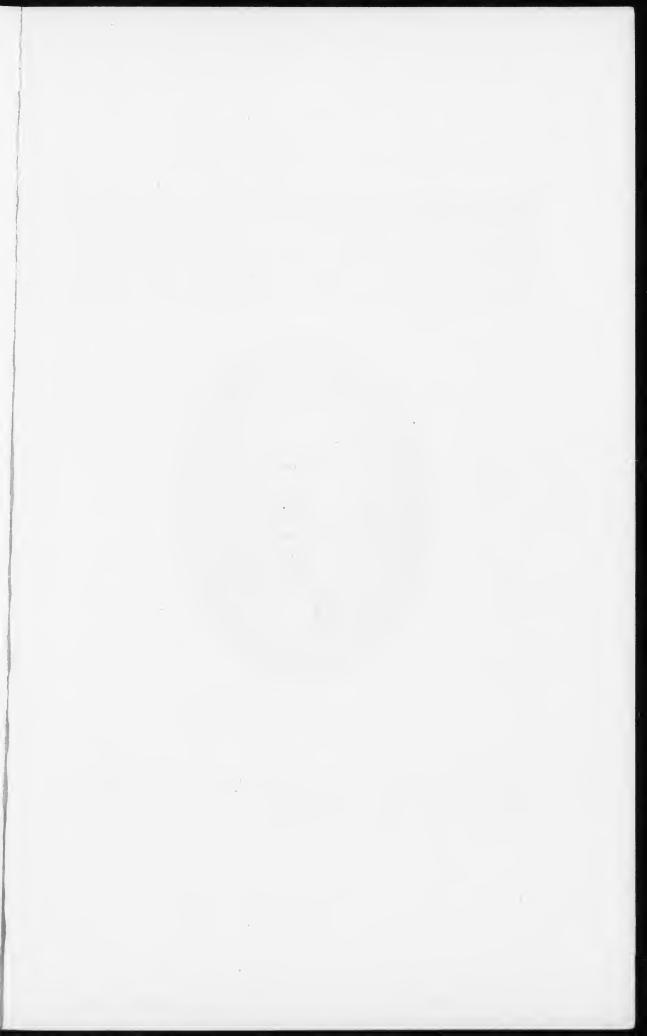


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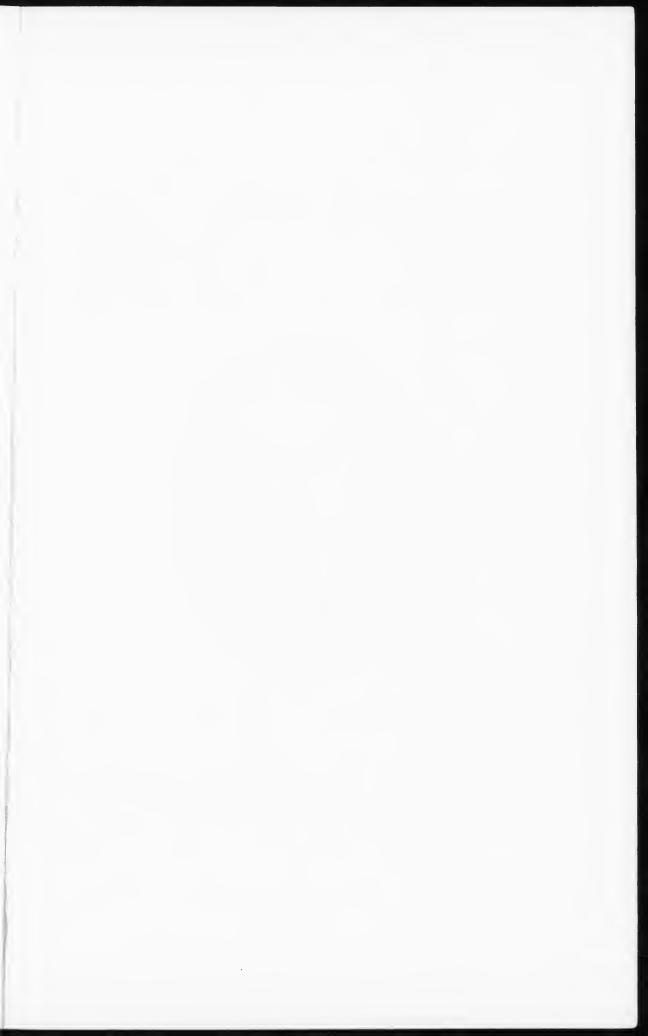


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	Entered Conference				ence		
Name	Time	Conference	Time	Manner	Confesence Relation	Address	
Boyce O. E	1902	Dakota	1902	Probation		Milbank	
Boyers, S. L Boslaugh C. C	1007	Rock River	1908	Transfer Probation		Brookngs	
Brimlow, T. M	1908	Dakota	1908	Probation	Effective	Tyndall	
Bromaghim, F. L.	1895	Dakota	1895	Probation	Effective	···· Devoe	
Brown, J. M Brown, G. D	1007	Minnesota	1897	Transfer Probation		Sioux Falls Parker	
Brown, S. F	1866	Wyoming	1885	Chart. Mbr.		Bangor	
Bunt, P. O	1902	Dakota	1902	Probation	Effective	Plankinton	
Butterfield, O. W Calfee, W. J	1903	Dakota	1903	Probation		Miller Denver, Colo.	
Carhart, A. E	1892	Dakota	1892	Probation		Mitchell	
Carhart, A. E Cathers, Arthur L	1906	Dakota	1906	Probation		····· Florence	
Chamberlan, D.W. Chappell, E. S	1801	N. W. Iowa	1885	Chart. Mbr. Probation	Effective	Scotland Hot Springs	
Cave, W. A	1901	Dakota	1901	Probation	Effective	···· Canton	
Corwin, G. J	1886	Dakota	1886	Probation		Kimball	
Clark, C. B Crowther, James.	1864	Dakota	11900	Transfer		Hot Springs Evanston, Ill.	
Dean, E. E				Probation		····· Bath	
Deeble, W. D	1888	Dakota	1888	Probation.		Britton	
Dibble J. B Dobson, J. O	11885	Dakota IJunner Towa	1893	Probation		Clark Mitchell	
Douglas, W. J		N W. Neb	1908	Transfer	Effective	Windom	
Dunn, F. B	1888	Des Moines	1904	Transfer Probation		Mellette	
Eberhart, H. P Egner, G. D	1907	N W. Neb	11908	Transfer		Gayville Bradley	
Farr, H. I Ferguson, W. T	1903	Dakota	1903	Probation		Tholock, Cal.	
Ferguson, W. T Fillebrown, C. L	11002	St. Louis	1908	Transfer	Effective	Gregory Chamberlain	
Fox. Frank	1900	Dakota	1900	Probation	Sup'y	Redfield	
Gale, W. E	1:000	N. New York.	1908	Transfer	Effective	Big Stone	
Gilliland, C. V Gardner, Paul	11900	Des Moines	1905	Transfer		Mitchell White	
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Gram W O	11893	Dakota	11893	Probation	Supt	Bath	
Greene, W. A Gurney, J. T	1896	Dakota	1900	Transfer	Effective	MitchellValley Springs	
Hager, C. E	11878	Upper Iowa	11889	Chart. Mor.	Effective	Huron	
Hall, J. G	1886	Ohio	1886	Transfer	Supt	Holtville, Cal.	
Hall, John Harkness, J. S	11894	Weslevan C	1894	Credent'ls	Effective	Redfield	
Hartsough, L	11851	Oneida	.11885	Chart. Mbr.	Supt	Mt Vernon, Ia.	
Hastings, H. L. Holgate, Ernest.	1904	Dakota	1904	Probation	Effective	Northville Faulkton	
Honking G K	11XXX	British Col.	. 11893	Credentils	Effective	Aberdeen	
Hughes, R. B	1899	Des Moines	. 1906	Transfer	Effective	Ottumwa	
Hull, C. C Hunt E. E		Pittsburg	11908	Transfer	Effective	White Rock Platte	
Hunter, J. M	11908	Dakota	.  1908	Probation		Bristol	
Hyde, O. M	1903	Dakota	. 1903	Probation	Effective	Centerville	
Jamieson, A Janes. A. P	1890	N. W. Iowa	1890	Chart. Mbr. Probation	Supt	Correctionville Ia. Geddes	
Jenkins, J. P Johnson, N. P	1887	Dakota	1887	Probation	Effective	Watertown	
Johnson, N. P	1894	W. N. Dan	1899	Transfer	Effective	Claremont	
Jones, John Kaye, John	11897	Dakota	1897	Probation		Dell Rapids	
Kerfoot, S. F Kearton, J. H	189	1 Minn.	1908	Transfer	Effective	Mitchell	
Kearton, J. H	1905	Dakota	. 1905	Probation	Effective	Artesian	
Keckler, L. R Lane, Louis L	1899	Dakota	1899	Probation	Effective	Alcester Woonsocket	
Layne Lawrence I	190	Dakota	. 1907	Probation	Effective	Doland Bradley	
Lawrence, C. H.		N. New York	.  1907	Transfer	Effective	Bradley	

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		Entered Entered Conference Dakota Confe		Entered ota Conference	ence		
Name	Time	Conference	Time	Manner	Conference Relation	Address	
Norton, F. J Norvell, J. E	1893 1880 1907 1894 1902 1907 1904 1903 1897 1877 1885 1886 1878	E. Maine. W. Va  Dakota N. Neb Dakota Dakota Dakota Dakota  Dakota  Dakota Rock River. N. W. Iowa. Michigan Upper Iowa. N. W. Iowa.	1905   1907   1907   1908   1894   1902   1907   1904   1903   1885   1903   1885   1885	Transfer Transfer Re-Admited Transfer Probation Probation Probation Probation Probation Chart. Mbr. Chart. Mbr. Transfer Transfer Chart. Mbr.	Effective Effective Effective Effective Effective Effective Effective Sup'y Effective Sup'y Effective Effective	Mitchell Groton Pierre Custer Webster Custer Esmond Corona Arlington Alexandria Minneapolis, Minn Castlewood New York N. Y. Mitchell Ashton	
Notson, G. T Ozanne, H. G Payne, J. R Potter, I. P Preston, Henry. Phillips, O. A Ray, F. H Redfield, W. O Rifenbark, D Rifenbark, C Rosenberry, G. W.	1893 1897 1903 1863 1908 1890 1885 1906 1895 1907	Des Moines  Dakota Dakota Un'd. Breth Dakota Dakota	1894 1907 1906 1897 1903 1885 1908 1890 1885 1906 1901 1907 1896	Transfer Transfer Transfer Probation Probation Probation Probation Chart. Mbr Probation Chart. Mbr Credent'ls Transfer Probation Probation	Effective Effective Sup'y Effective Supt Effective Effective Effective Effective Effective Effective	Alexandria Garden City Howard Mitchell De Smet Mitchell Tripp Hurley Hurley Auron Summit Yankton Andover Clear Lake Beresford	
Seaton, J. L Shearer, R. C Shepherd, A. C Shepherd, W. S Sevy, I. B Simmons, T Simmons, E. E Slocum, W. P Shurtleff, S. H Smith, Joel A Springer, H. M Stebbins, C. M Stebbins, C. M Stebwart, W. R.	1908 1898 1898 1901 1875 1896 1902 1905	Upper Iowa Dakota Dakota Dakota Dakota Upper Iowa N W. Iowa Dakota Dakota Upper Iowa Upper Iowa Upper Iowa Upper Iowa W. Wis Troy Dakota	1904 1908 1898 1898 1901 [1885 1902 1905 [1905 [1905 [1905]	Transfer Probation Probation Probation Probation Chart. Mbr Transfer Probation Transfer Chart. Mbr Transfer Chart. Mbr Transfer Probation	Effective Effective Effective Effective Effective Sup'y Effective Effective Effective Effective Effective	Mitchell Sisseton Sioux Falls Vermillion Long Pine, Neb. Faulkton Roscoe Lincoln, Neb. Sioux Falls Morris, Ill Hartford, Vt. Davis Mt. Vernon	
Tanner. A. E Tarleton, R. E Taylor, J. W. Thibodeau, A. D. Thomas. Martin. Thurston, A. W. Tibbetts, J. M. Trevithick, T. H. Tracy, D. W. VanDerVoort, R.J Wallis, H K. Ward, A. M. Weston, P. H. Wilkinson, T. Wilkinson, H. S. Wilkinson, W. A. Williams, O Youngman, T. H.	1883 1905 1886 1904 1901 1897 1892 1885 1904 1904 1905 1907	Genesee Dakota Detroit Dakota Dakota Dakota N W. Iowa Dakota N. Indiana Dakota Dakota Dakota Dakota	1885 1905 1902 1904 1901 1897 1906 1907 1907 1904 1905 1907	Transfer Probation Probation Probation Probation Transfer Transfer Transfer Transfer Probation Probation Probation Probation Probation Probation Credent'is	Supt Effective	Mitchell Springfield Aberdeen Madison Logan, Utah Flandreau Wessington Sp'gs Hartford Deadwood Evanston Ill Highmore Iroquois	

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	Conference	Year		•
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Hartung, W. E	Dakota	1906	Second Year	Henry
McDonald, L. A	Dakota	1906	Second Year	Chamberlain
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Clayton, John	Dakota	1907	Second Year	Hitchcock
Wood, John	Dakota	1907	Second Year	Cavour
Lockridge, C. D	Dakota	1907	Second Year	Greencastle, Ind.
Snowden, Joseph	Dakota	1907	Second Year	
Stevens, J. D	Dakota	1907	Second Year	Carpenter
Graf, H. C	Dakota	1907	Second Year	Kimball
Little, E. R	Dakota	1907	Second Year	Wessington
Page, F. C	Dakota	1907	Second Year	Bruce
Free, E. H	Dakota	1908	Second Year	Langford
Hocking, A. E	Dakota	1907	Second Year	Fulton
Darling, L W	Dakota	1906	First Year	Gary
Kratz, R. N	Dakota	1907	First Year	Dudley
King, P. I	Dakota	1905	First Year	Philip
Brown, V. K	Dakota	1907	First Year	Chicago, Ill
Bryan. C H	Dakota	1908	First Year	Quinn
Oakley, J. N	Dakota	1908	First Year	Junius
Brown, J H	Dakota	1908	First Year	Frederick
Greene, J. C	Dakota	1908	First Year	Elk Point
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Mathews, Geo. T	Dakota	1908	First Year	Herried

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Hecla	50	00		1850	00		
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Lane	50	00	Wessington	100	00		
Lebanon	50	00	Wolsey	100	00		
Onida	70	00	District	300	00		
Pearl Cr. & Cavour	100	00	-				
Seneca	100	00		\$870	00		
MIT	CH	ELL	DISTRICT.				
Bridgewater\$	100	00	Minty Circuit	250	00		
Bard and Riverside	100	00	Murdo	250	00		
Canistota	100	00	Parkston		00		
Fairfax	200		Presho	250			
Gregory Circuit	300		Kennebec Circuit	150			
Herrick and Burke	200		White Lake	100	-		
Kimball and Pukwana		00	Draper	200			
Letcher	75	00		\$2400	00		
SIOU	X F	ALL	S DISTRICT.				
Beresford Ct\$	50	00	Hudson	. 80	00		
Bloomingdal & Richland	60	00	Lennox	80	00		
Colman	50	00	Montrose		00		
Egan	50	00	Sioux Falls, Jordan church	150	00		
Garretson	60	00		\$630	00.		
WAT	'ER'	row	N DISTRICT.				
Bruce	100	00	Florence	125	00		
Bradley\$	75	00	Kampeska	50	00		
Castlewood	100	00	Lake Preston	50	00		
Clear Lake	100	00	Summit	100	00		
Elkton & Aurora		00		\$800	00		

#### JOURNAL OF THE SESSION

#### FIRST DAY.

Sioux Falls, So. Dak., October 21, 1908.

The twenty-fourth Session of the Dakota Conference convened in the First Methodist Episcopal Church, Sioux Falls, So. Dak., at 8:30 o'clock, a. m., Bishop Luther B. Wilson, D. D., presiding.

Opening—After singing Hymn 516, the Bishop read Ephesians, Third Chapter, and assisted by the District Superintendents and the Pastor of First Church administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Roll Call—The Secretary of the last Conference called the roll and the following brethern responded: O. E. Boyce, C. C. Boslaugh, F. L. Bromaghim, J. M. Brown, G. D. Brown, A. E. Carhart, A. L. Cathers, E. E. Dean, W. D. Deeble, J. B. Dibble, J. O. Dobson, F. B. Dunn, H. P. Eberhart, Paul Gardner, W. I. Graham, J. T. Gurney, C. E. Hager, E. P. Hall, J. S. Harkness, Ernest Holgate, G. F. Hopkins, E. E. Hunt, A. Jamieson, J. P. Jenkins, John Jones, John Kaye, L. R. Keckler, Lawrence L. Layne, J. E. Lombard, A. S. Loveall, B. W. McEldowney, E. O. Machemer, P. H. McBeth, M. E. Nickerson, Thomas Nicholson, G. T. Notson, H. G. Ozanne, Henry Preston, W. O. Redfield, Duane Rifenbark, G. W. Rosenberry, N. F. Sanderson, Thomas Sanderson, A. C. Shepherd, W. S. Shepherd, Thomas Simmons, S. F. Spitz, C. M. Stebbins, W. B. Stewart, A. D. Thibodeau, A. W. Thurston, T. H. Trevithick, H. S. Wilkinson, W. A. Wilkinson, Oliver Williams.—55.

Probationers—T. M. Brimlow, W. E. Hartung, J. M. Hunter, R. C. Shearer, C. E. Wilcox, F. H. Ray, L. W. Scott, E. R. Little A. E. Hocking, John Wood, Joseph Snowden, C. D. Bullock, C. D. Lockridge, J. D. Stevens, H. C. Graf, John Clayton.—16.

Elections—G. T. Notson was re-elected Secretary, and upon his nomination G. D. Brown and W. A. Wilkinson were elected Assistants.

J. S. Harkness was re-elected Treasurer, and nominated A. D. Thibodeau, O. E. Boyce, J. M. Hunter, O. W. Butterfield as Assistants.

A. W. Thurston was re-elected Statistical Secretary, and named F. L. Bromaghim, Ernest Holgate, H. P. Eberhart, C. E. Wilcox, as Assistant Statisticans.

Postmaster-Thomas Sanderson was elected Postmaster.

Rules of Order—On motion the rules of the General Conference were adopted, in so far as they are applicable to the business of the Conference.

Conference Bar—The Conference Bar was fixed to include the first ten rows of seats from the pulpit. On motion Ministers' wives were invited to sit within the bar of the Conference.

Time of Meeting—It was voted that the hour of meeting be fixed at 8:30 a.m., and the hour of adjournment at 12 o'clock, the first half-hour being given to devotional exercises.

Committees—The list of Standing Committees was called and revised.

On motion of J. O. Dobson a special committee on County Option was raised. The following named were elected: W. A. Wilkinson, J. P. Jenkins, A. D. Thibodeau, J. M. Tibbetts, J. E. Lombard, and were instructed to bring in a report at tomorrow's session.

Reporters—J. T. Gurney was elected reporter for the North-western Christian Advocate. E. R. Little and P. H. McBeth were elected reporters for the Sioux Falls daily papers.

Methodist Review—P. O. Bunt was elected canvasser for the Methodist Review.

QUESTION THIRTEEN.—"Was the character of each Preacher examined?"—was taken up, and the following District Superintendents were passed in character and presented their reports: G. F. Hopkins, Aberdeen District; C. E. Hager, Huron District; J. O. Dobson, Mitchell District; A. C. Shepherd, Sioux Falls District.

Introductions—The Rev. Dr. Charles M. Stuart, of Garrett Biblical Institute, was introduced, and addressed the Conference.

The Rev. Dr. Edgar Blake, Assistant Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Sunday Schools, was introduced, and addressed the Conference.

On motion of Thomas Nicholson, the proposition made by Dr. Blake, on behalf of the Board of Sunday Schools, to place a Sunday School Missionary in the field to labor within the bounds of this Conference, on condition that we accept an apportionment and agree to raise a sum sufficient to sustain his work, be referred to the Cabinet for favorable consideration.

The Rev. Dr. Samuel F. Kerfoot, President of Dakota Wesleyan University; the Rev. Dr. J. B. Trimble, Field Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions; W. L. Jenkins, of the Methodist Book Concern; Joseph Graham, Business Manager of Dakota Wesleyan University, were introduced.

Dividends—The Bishop announced dividends from the Chartered Fund for \$22, and from the Book Concern, \$1,124, and drafts were ordered for the same.

Official Record—On motion the printed Minutes were made the official record of the Conference.

Special Order—The report of President Kerfoot, of Dakota Wesleyan University, was made the order of the day for Thursday morning at 10:45 o'clock.

On motion of G. F. Hopkins, an executive session of the corporate body of the Conference was ordered for 2 o'clock, Friday afternoon.

On motion an afternoon session was ordered at 3 o'clock for the purpose of collecting the statistics and other business.

Adjournment—Announcements were made, and on motion the Conference adjourned. Dr. J. B. Trimble pronounced the Benediction.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference convened at 3 o'clock, with Bishop Wilson in the chair. After singing Hymn 388, the Bishop led in prayer.

QUESTION THIRTEEN—was resumed. W. I. Graham, Superintendent of the Watertown District was called, passed in character, and read his report.

QUESTION TWENTY-TWO—"Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?"—was called. H. I. Farr, W. L. Meinzer, Frank Fox, E. E. Simmons, F. J. Norton, C. E. Logsdon, I. P. Potter were passed in character and continued in this relation.

- G. J. Corwin, M. E. Nickerson, A. M. Ward were passed in character, and desiring a change in their relations, were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.
  - B. F. Stiles was granted a location at his own request.
- D. E. Murray was allowed to withdraw from the Ministry and membership of our Church, having surrendered his parchments under complaints.

Acknowledgement—A gift of \$25.00 from H. I. Farr to the Conference Claimants Fund was announced, and on motion of A. C. Shepherd, a vote of thanks was extended to him for the same.

Miss Olive Paul, representing Asbury Hospital, was introduced, and addressed the Conference in behalf of that institution.

Resolution—The following resolution was presented and adopted:

Resolved, That we request the Bishops, if at all possible to arrange that future sessions of this Conference be held not later than the first week in October.

(Signed) Thomas Nicholson, J. P. Jenkins, W. S. Shepherd. The Conference adjourned.

#### SECOND DAY.

Thursday, October 22, 1908.

Opening—Conference convened at 8:30 o'clock. Devotional exercises were led by Bishop Wilson.

Approved-The Minutes were read and approved.

Delinquents—The Statistical Secretary called the list of delinquent charges.

QUESTION THIRTEEN—was resumed. The following Elders were called, passed in character, and those present and in charge reported their collections:

Aberdeen District.—J. W. Taylor, J. E. Norvell, E. E. Dean, W. D. Deeble, F. L. Bromaghim, J. E. Lombard, N. P. Johnson, H. L. Hastings, S. F. Spitz, R. E. Tarleton.

Huron District.—John Kaye, Henry Preston, Hall K. Wallis, Duane Rifenbark, R. B. Hughes, A. S. Loveall, J. S. Harkness, Thos. Simmons, J. M. Tibbetts.

Mitchell District.—G. T. Notson, C. L. Fillebrown, A. E. Carhart, A. P. Janes, Louis L. Lane, H. S. Wilkinson, W. F. Minty, A. W. Thurston, P. O. Bunt, W. A. Greene, J. R. Payne, W. A. Wilkinson, P. H. McBeth, Thomas Nicholson, J. L. Seaton, C. V. Gilliland, E. E. Hunt, C. B. Clark, E. S. Chappell, D. W. Tracy, John Hall, Martin Thomas, J. E. Crowther, J. A. Smith, J. W. Lucas, I. B. Sevy.

Sioux Falls District.—L. K. McNeill, W. A. Cave, W. P. Slocum, E. E. Saxton, C. M. Stebbins, John Jones, L. L. Wilcox, W. B. Stewart, T. H. Trevithick, W. O. Redfield, A. D. Thibodeau, J. T. Gurney, G. D. Brown, J. M. Brown, S. H. Shurtleff, W. S. Shepherd, G. W. Rosenberry, W. J. Calfee, R. J. Van Der Voort.

Watertown District.—A. C. McLean, F. P. Cook, E. P. Hall, J. B. Dibble, Thomas Sanderson, O. M. Hyde, H. C. Riley, C. H. Lawrence, O. E. Boyce, F. B. Dunn, J. P. Jenkins, L. V. Slocumb, Paul Gardner.

Change of Relations—S. F. Spitz, L. L. Wilcox and H. W. Smith were granted locations at their own request.

QUESTION TWENTY-THREE—"Who are the Superannuated Preachers?"—was taken up. Louis Hartsough, Oliver Williams, Archibald Jamieson, S. F. Brown, D. W. Chamberlain, Thos. Wilkinson, J. G. Hall, H. M. Springer, T. H. Youngman, W. O. Gram, O. A. Phillips, A. E Tanner were passed in character, and continued in this relation. The first three brethern named addressed the Conference when their names were called.

F. C. McDuffee was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

The death of T. H. Walker was announced as having occurred during the year.

Dakota Wesleyan University—Dr. Samuel F. Kerfoot, President of Dakota Wesleyan University, presented his report.

On motion of J. O. Dobson, the financial plan of Dr. Kerfoot was endorsed.

H. S. Wilkinson moved that the itemized financial report of the University be published in the Minutes.

Dr. Thomas Nicholson, Secretary of the Board of Education, addressed the Conference in the interest of the University and of the Board of Education.

Introductions—The Rev. E. H. Nicholson, of the Northern Minnesota Conference, representing the Board of Conference Claimants, was introduced, and addressed the Conference.

Oscar P. Miller, Treasurer of the General Conference, was introduced, and addressed the Conference.

The Rev. C. D. Royse, of the Black Hills Mission, was introduced, and addressed the Conference.

The Rev. J. L. Gillies, Superintendent of the Sheldon District, Northwest Iowa Conference, the Rev. F. S. Jory, the Rev. J. A. Kettle, the Rev. J. A. Lory, Miss Welhelmina Erbst, W. F. M. S. Missionary to the Phillipines, and Mrs. J. P. Jenkins, Conference Secretary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, were introduced.

Boundary—The question of Conference boundary between this Conference and Black Hills Mission was made the special order upon completion of the minute business at tomorrow's session.

County Option—The report of the Committee on County Option was read and re-committed.

Dr. W. M. Grafton, State Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, addressed the Conference.

Adjournment—After calling of Committees and the making of announcements the Conference adjourned. The Rev. Archibald Jamieson pronounced the Benediction.

#### THIRD DAY-MORNING SESSION.

Friday, October 23, 1908.

Opening—Devotional exercises were led by Bishop Wilson. At 9 o'clock the business session opened by reading of the Minutes, which were approved.

Reports-The Treasurer called the list of delinquent charges.

QUESTION FIVE—"Who have been continued on Trial?"—was taken up. John Clayton, Albert E. Hocking, John Wood, Charles D. Lockridge, Joseph Snowden, Joseph D. Stevens, Herman C. Graf, Edward R. Little, Fernando C. Page, were passed in

character, reported their collections, represented by their examiners, and advanced to the studies of the second year. The two last named being conditioned on one study each.

Leroy W. Darling, Reuben N. Kratz, Peter I. King and V. Kenneth Brown were passed in character, and continued in the studies of the First Year. The last named was left without appointment to attend school.

QUESTION SEVEN—"Who Have Been Admitted Into Full Membership?"—was taken up. Fred H. Ray, Jacob M. Hunter, Thomas M. Brimlow, Ralph C. Shearer, were passed in character, reported their collections, represented by the Examiners and their District Superintendents, and being recommended by the Committee on Conference Relations, were elected to Deacon's Orders and to Full Membership.

Charles E. Wilcox was passed in character, reported his collections, represented by the Examiners and his District Superintendent, was admitted into Full Membership and elected to Elder's Orders under the Seminary Rule.

Nels Fanabust, was passed in character, represented by the Examiners and his District Superintendent, and elected to Deacon's Orders and to Full Membership, subject to his answering the Disciplinary questions.

Louis W Scott, Lorne A. McDonald, Harry C. Riley and William E. Hartung were passed in character, reported their collections, credited with studies taken, and continued in the studies of the Second Year.

QUUESTION NINE—"What Members are in the Studies of the Fourth Year?"—was taken up. Elmer O. Machemer, Lawrence L. Layne, Chauncey C. Boslaugh, Ernest Holgate, Harry P. Eberhart, Nels F. Sanderson, were passed in character, reported their collections, represented by the Examiners, and advanced to the studies of the Fourth Year.

Perley H. Weston, Leroy R. Keckler, Henry I. Farr, Charles E. Logsdon, were passed in character, and continued in the studies of the Third Year.

Walter S. Scott was granted a location at his own request.

QUESTION NINE—"What Members Have Completed the Conference Course of Studies?"—was taken up. John H. Kearton and Arthur L. Cathers were passed in character, reported their collections, credited with the studies of the Fourth Year, and elected to Elder's Orders.

Herbert G. Ozanne, William O. Gram, Geo. D. Egner were continued in the studies of the Fourth Year.

QUESTION THREE—"Who Have Been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches?"—was taken up. Ellis H. Free was received on credentials from the United Brethren Church and placed in the studies of the Second Year as a probationer.

Calvin H. Bryan was received on credentials from the Friends Society, and was admitted on probation and placed in the studies of the First Year.

QUESTION FOUR—"Who Have Been Received on Trial?"—was taken up. John N. Oakley, James H. Brown, J. Clarence Greene, Geo. T. Matthews, Fred Rawlinson were called forward and introduced to the Conference, represented by the Examiners, Committee on Conference Relations, and their District Superintendents, were received on trial and placed in the studies of the First Year.

Order of the Day—The proposition to change the Conference boundary, under the enabling act of the General Conference, was taken up, and on motion of G. F. Hopkins, the Conference did not concur in the proposed change.

Moved by A. S. Loveall that a commission of five be appointed, upon nomination of the Cabinet, to meet a like Commission from the Black Hills Mission to fix the boundary line between this Conference and the Mission.

C. L. Fillebrown—C. L. Fillebrown reported his collections, and upon his request was granted a Supernumerary relation.

Introductions—Dr. J. H. Fitzwater, Field Secretary, of the Board of Home Missions; Dr. Frank Fox, Pastor of the Congregational Church; and the Rev. R. L. Barackman, Pastor of the Presbyterian Church, were introduced.

Announcements—Announcements were made and Committees were called.

Time Extended—On motion the time was extended.

Admission—Fred H. Ray, Charles E. Wilcox, Thomas M. Brimlow, Ralph C. Shearer, Jacob M. Hunter were called forward, and after the address of the Bishop, were asked the Disciplinary questions and admitted into Full Connection.

Adjourned—The Conference adjourned with the Benediction by the Bishop.

#### THIRD DAY-AFTERNOON SESSION.

October 23, 1908.

The Conference was called to order at 2 o'clock, with Bishop Wilson in the chair. The Conference joined in singing Hymn No. 463, after which W. F. Minty led in prayer.

Legal Session—On motion of G. F. Hopkins, the Conference convened in legal session for the transaction of corporate business.

W. D. Deeble, J. S. Harkness and G. T. Notson were elected trustees for the term of three years.

The following officers were chosen: J. B. Dibble, President; G. W. Rosenberry, Secretary; J. S. Harkness, Treasurer.

On motion of H. S. Wilkinson, a committee consisting of one from each District was appointed to solicit the members of the Conference for subscriptions to the Permanent Conference Claimants Fund, said subscription to be binding when three-fourths of the Full Members of the Conference, excepting the Superannuates, have so signed.

The following were appointed as members of the committee: J. S. Harkness, W. D. Deeble, T. H. Trevithick, A. P. Janes, J. P. Jenkins.

On motion, the Bishop was requested to appoint a Secretary for the Conference Claimants Endowment Fund, the salary of whom was to be left in the hands of the Board of Trustees.

On motion of G. F. Hopkins, section three of the report of the Conference Claimants' Committee of 1907, was incorporated into our Conference By-laws.

On motion of G. F. Hopkins, the Conference Board of Stewards was instructed to forward to the Board of Conference Claimants, five per cent of the amount collected this year for Conference Claimants.

The legal session then adjourned.

QUESTION ELEVEN—"What others have been elected and Ordained Deacon's?"—was taken up. Chas. E. Walsh and William E. Hartung were represented by the Examiners, and their District Superintendents, and were elected to Local Deacon's Orders.

Ellis H. Free and Calvin M. Bryan were elected to Deacon's Orders under the Missionary rule.

QUESTION TWELVE—"What Others have been Elected and Ordained?"—was taken up. Hudson W. Smith was represented by his District Superintendent and the Examiners, and was elected to Local Elder's Orders.

QUESTION THIRTY—"Where shall the next Conference be held?"—was taken up. Invitations were received from the Churches at Pierre and Milbank, the former receiving a majority of the votes, was selected.

Church Comity—A communication from the Committee on Inter-denominational Comity was presented by Duane Rifenbark. After consideration, the Conference found itself unable to ratify the same, and on motion of H. S. Wilkinson, the matter was laid upon the table.

Report—The report of James E. Crowther, Conference Missionary Secretary, was received. J. O. Dobson reported an arrearage of Two Hundred Dollars in the salary of the Conference

Missionary Secretary, and in view of the fact that the collections for Home and Foreign Missions were increased several Thousand Dollars through the direct efforts of the Secretary, he moved that the Conference request the Boards of Home and Foreign Missions to pay said deficiency out of their incidental funds.

Adjournment—The Conference adjourned, with the Benediction by Samuel F. Kerfoot.

#### FOURTH DAY.

Saturday, October 24, 1908.

Opening—The Conference convened at 8:30 o'clock, Bishop Wilson presiding. After the devotional exercises, led by the Bishop, the Minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

Conference Claimants—A. E. Carhart presented the report of the Board of Conference Stewards, which was adopted.

On motion of W. I. Graham, the Board of Stewards were instructed to secure all necessary data concerning each claimant, upon which to base their individual claims in the future, under the new provisions of the Discipline.

F. T. Nicholls—G. D. Brown addressed the Conference upon the fact that the grave of the late Francis T Nicholls, in the Alcester cemetery is unmarked, and on his motion, a committee of five, consisting of W. D. Deeble, Henry Preston, P. H. McBeth, G. D. Brown and J. P. Jenkins was elected to solicit funds to erect a monument over Bro. Nicholls' grave.

Change of Relations—The Committee on Conference Relations made their report. Upon their recommendation Thomas Simmons and I. B. Sevy were granted the Supernumerary relation. G. J. Corwin was changed from the Supernumerary to the Superannuate relation.

M. E. Nickerson and A. M. Ward were changed from the Supernumerary to the effective relation.

Reports—The Treasurer and Statistical Secretary presented their reports, which were adopted. Upon reading of these reports the Conference joined in singing the Doxology.

Moved by the Conference Treasurer that a school of methods be provided for in connection with the mid-year District meetings for the purpose of instructing our Pastors in the matter of making their Conference reports.

The report of the special committee on County Option was read, amended and adopted.

The following Standing Committees presented their reports, which were adopted: Education, Foreign Missions, Church Lit-

rature, Women's Foreign Missionary Society, Auditing District Superintendent's Accounts, Sunday Schools, Auditing Treasurer's Accounts, and Visitors to Garrett Biblical Institute.

Special Committee—A communication from the Laymen's Association requesting the appointment of a special committee of five to confer with a like committee upon the feasibility of establishing a Conference Hospital was received and concurred in. The following were named as such committee: J. B. Dibble, Duane Rifenbark, E. E. Dean, A. D. Thibodeau, C. E. Wilcox.

Trustees—The Secretary presented the list of Trustees nominated for the class of 1911, for Dakota Wesleyan University, as follows: Robert S. Vessey, J. O. Dobson, H. S. Mouser, Nathan Noble, T. H. Youngman, C. B. Kennedy, A. E. Hitchcock, I. W. Seaman, J. T. Morrow, and upon motion of H. S. Wilkinson, the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the Conference for the above named as Trustees of the institution.

Samuel F. Kerfoot was elected a Trustee to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Thomas Nicholson, in the class of 1910, Dakota Wesleyan University.

Address—The Rev. J. H. Fitzwater, D. D., addressed the Conference in the interest of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension.

Introductions—The Rev. H. R. Best, of the Baptist Church was introduced.

The Rev. A. D. Stuckeman, of the Children's Home Society, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

Examiners—The appointment of the Examiners for the term expiring 1912 was announced as follows: W. S. Shepherd, C. L. Fillebrown, G. D. Brown, J. P. Jenkins was appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of T. H. Youngman.

Ordination—The Bishop made an announcement concerning the ordination of Deacons and Elders at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

Minutes—Upon motion of A. E. Carhart, the Conference ordered the publication of 1400 copies of the Minutes to be distributed on the basis of one to every twelve members, and that the Pastors shall pay for the same within thirty days after publication, also that the District Superintendents be held responsible for the collection of all delinquent subscriptions, after that date,

The Secretaries were elected a Committee on Publication..

F. C. MacDuffee—In the case of F C. MacDuffee, it was moved that he be continued in the Superannuate relation, that no allowance be granted him, and that legal notice of location be served upon him.

Special Appointment—Upon motion of his District Superintendent, Joseph Snowden was appointed State Agent for the State Purity Society of California.

Resolution—The following resolution offered by O. W. Butterfield, was adopted.

Whereas: The present ballot law of this State provides that the name of a candidate shall no appear more than once on the official ballot, even though two or more political parties nominate the same man.

Whereas: The advancement of every moral reform demands the co-operation of all moral forces, regardless of political affi-

iations, therefore be it

Resolved, That we will use all honorable means to elect to the legislature such men as are willing to co-operate in the effort to amend Section 1892, of the Revised Political Code of 1903, so that if two or more political parties nominate the same man for a given office, the name of such candidate shall appear in the party column of each party making such nomination.

Adjournment—Announcements were made and the Conference, on motion, stood adjourned. The Doxology was sung and Oliver Williams pronounced the Benediction.

#### FIFTH DAY.

Monday, October 26, 1908.

Opening—The Conference opened with Bishop Wilson in the chair. After the devotional exercises, the Conference convened in business session. The Minutes were read and approved.

Special Appointments—On motion the Bishop was requested to appoint A. E. Carhart as Conference Temperance Agent, and Joel A. Smith and W. J. Calfee, on motion of their District Superintendents, were appointed Conference Evangelists.

Jas. E. Crowther, R. J. Van Der Voort and W. P. Slocum were left without appointment to attend school.

Reports—The following reports were read and adopted: Board of Conference Trustees, Epworth League, Home Missions and Church Extension, Hospitals, Temperance.

O. A. Phillips—On motion of J. S. Harkness, the Conference requested the assistance of the Rev. O. A. Phillips, so far as convenient, and under the direction of the Secretary of the Conference Claimants Endowment Fund, in raising said Fund.

Certificate—The Certificate of Ordination was presented by the Bishop.

Commission—The following named were selected as members of a joint commission on establishment of a Conference Hospital,

to co-operate with a like number appointed by the Laymen's Association: J. W. Taylor, Duane Rifenbark, E. E. Saxton, J. P. Jenkins, H. S. Wilkinson.

On motion of the Secretary the District Superintendents were elected as the Commission on Conference boundaries.

Addresses—By request, W. B. Engle addressed the Conference on Countý Option, and the Bishop made an urgent appeal to the members of the Conference to give undivided attention to this subject before the November election.

Miss Alice Bielski, Deaconess of the Helping Hand Mission, Sioux City, addressed the Conference.

Nominations—A. C. Shepherd, on behalf of the District Superintendents, presented the nominations of Triers of Appeals, Confernce Boards and Standing Committees which were elected.

The Missionary appropriations were read and approved.

Transfers—J. A. Willey, from the West Wisconsin Conference; W. E. Gale, from the Northern New York Conference; George D. Egner, from Northwest Nebraska Conference; J. M. McDonald, from the North Nebraska Conference; S. L. Boyers, from the Illinois Conference; C. C. Hull, from the Pittsburg Conference; Willis J. Douglas, from the Northwest Nebraska Conference, were transferred to this Conference.

Upon unanimous request, Dr. Samuel F. Kerfoot was transferred from the Minnesota Conference.

On motion of J. O. Dobson, the Conference requested the transfer of W. T. Ferguson, a Supernumerary member of the St. Louis Conference, which was announced by the Bishop.

The transfers of Garriet Jenssen to the Nebraska Conference; Lyndon V. Slocumb to the North Nebraska Conference; E P. Hall to the Illinois Conference; L. K. McNeill to the Minnesota Conference, were announced.

Change of Relations—F. P. Cook was granted the Supernumerary relation upon his own request. W. T. Ferguson, on motion of his District Superintendent, was made effective.

Resolutions—The following resolutions concerning the transfer of E. P. Hall were read:

Whereas: The Rev. E. P. Hall, D. D., has been transferred to the Illinois Conference, and

Whereas: He has for tweny-five years labored in the Dakotas in our Ministry, twelve of which he has been a member of the Dakota. Conference, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we record our appreciation of our brother, and of his value as a preacher, presiding elder and citizen, and bid him Godspeed in his new field of labor. Our prayers will follow him that God may prosper his ministry and continue to bless him and his family.

(Signed): W. I. Graham, J. P. Jenkins, H. S. Wilkinson, Duane Rifenbark, G. F. Hopkins, C. E. Hager, G. T Notson

The following resolution adopted by the Laymen's Association was, on motion of G. T. Notson, concurred in by the Conference:

Resolved, That we, the Laymen's Association of Dakota Conference, desire to show our appreciation of the efforts of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, of Pierre, in their purpose to secure a Church building in the Capital City of the State, and we assure them our sympathy, and promise them such financial aid as we may find it convenient to give.

Parsonage Furniture—A resolution was offered by H. G. Ozanne concerning the furnishing of our Parsonages with carpets, window shades, stoves and heavy furniture, was adopted.

Appreciation—Resolutions expressing the appreciation of the Conference of the hospitality extended by the First Methodist Church, and its Pastor, and the citizens of Sioux Falls, also the press for courtesies extended, were adopted.

The able administration, brotherly spirit and helpful ministry of Bishop Wilson was acknowledged by a rising vote.

As a further token of the gratitude of the Conference, J. M. Brown presented the Bishop with a beautiful bouquet of flowers. The Bishop responded in a most tender and appropriate manner.

The Conference joined in singing, "Blest be the Tie that Binds."

Sympathy—By vote, the Conference expressed its sympathy for O. A. Phillips and his wife, in their sore bereavement in the loss of their son.

Adjournment—Voted that after the reading of the Minutes and the appointments, the Conference stand adjourned.

The Minutes were read and approved.

Lewis Hartsough led in prayer. The Bishop addressed the Conference and read the appointments. The Conference joined in singing, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," and the Bishop pronounced the Benediction and the Conference adjourned.

LUTHER B. WILSON, President.

G. T. NOTSON, Secretary.

# CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION.

This certifies that at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, on Sunday, October 25, 1908, pursuant to the action of the Dakota Conference, I ordained as Deacons: Fred H. Ray; Jacob M. Hunter, Thomas M. Brimlow, Ralph C. Shearer, Charles E. Walsh, William E. Hartung, Ellis H. Free, Calvin H. Bryan, and at the same time and place, assisted by several Elders, I ordained as Elders: John H Kearton, Arthur L. Cathers and Charles E. Wilcox.

Sioux Falls, S. D., Oct. 26, 1908.

L. B. WILSON,

Presiding Bishop.

# DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

# 1. Who have been Received by Transfer, and from what Conferences?

J. A. Willey from West Wisconsin; W. E. Gale from Northern New York; Geo. D. Egner, from Northwest Nebraska; J. M. Mc-Donald from North Nebraska; W. J. Douglas from Northwest Nebraska; S. L. Boyers, from Illinois Confreence; C. C. Hull, from Pittsburg Conference; S. F. Kerfoot from Minnesota Conference; W. T. Ferguson, from St. Louis Conference.

#### 2. Who have been Readmitted?

None.

# 3. Who have been received on Credentials, and from what Churches?

Ellis H. Free, from United Brethern Church, as a Probationer, and placed in studies of Second Year; Calvin H. Bryan from Friends Society, received as a Probationer and placed in studies of First Year.

# 4. Who have been Received on Trial?

- (a) In Studies of First Year.—John N. Oakley, J. Henry Brown, J. Clarence Greene, Fred Rawlinson, George T. Matthews.
  - (b) In Studies of Third Year.-None.

#### 5. Who have been Continued on Trial?

- (a) In Studies of First Year.—Leroy W. Darling, Reuben N. Kratz, Peter I. King, V. Kenneth Brown, Calvin H. Bryan.
- (b) In Studies of Second Year.—Louis W. Scott, Harry C. Riley, Lorne A. McDonald, William E. Hartung, John Clayton, Albert E.

Hocking, John Wood, Charles D. Lockridge, Joseph Snowden, Joseph D. Stevens, Herman C. Graf, Edward R. Little, Fernando C. Page, Ellis H. Free.

- (c) In Studies of Third Year.—Nels Fanebust.
- (d) In Studies of Fourth Year.-None.

# 6. Who have been Discontinued?

None.

# 7. Who have been Admitted into Full Membership?

- (a) Elected and Ordained Deacons this year.—Fred H. Ray, Jacob M. Hunter, Thomas M. Brimlow, Ralph C. Shearer.
  - (b) Elected and Ordained previously.—Charles E. Wilcox.

# 8. What Members are in Studies of Third Year?

- (a) Admitted into full Membership this year.—Fred H. Ray, Jacob M. Hunter, Thomas M. Brimlow, Ralph C. Shearer.
- (b) Admitted into Full Membership previously.—Leroy R. Keckler, Perley H. Weston, Henry I. Farr, Charles E. Logsdon.

# 9. What Members are in Studies of the Fourth Year?

Elmer O. Machemer, Lawrence L. Layne, Chauncey C. Boslaugh, Ernest Holgate, Harry P. Eberhart, Nels F. Sanderson, Herbert G. Ozanne, William O. Gram, Geo. D. Egner.

# 10. What Members have Completed the Conference Course of Study?

- (a) Elected and Ordained Elders this Year.—John H. Kearton, Arthur L. Cathers.
  - (b) Elected and Ordained previously.—None.

# 11. What others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons?

- (a) As Local Preachers.—William E. Hartung, Charles E. Walsh, Nels Fanebust (to be Ordained elsewhere.)
  - (b) Under Missionary Rule.—Ellis H. Free, Calvin H. Bryan.
  - (c) Under Seminary Rule.—None.

# 12. What others have been Elected and Ordained Elders?

- (a) As Local Deacons.—Hudson W. Smith (to be ordained elsewhere.)
  - (b) Under Missionary Rule.—None.
  - (c) Under Seminary Rule.—Charles E. Wilcox.

# 13. Was the Character of each Preacher examined?

This was strictly done as the name of each Preacher was called in open Conference.

#### 14. Who have been Transferred, and to what Conference?

Garriet Jenssen to Nebraska Conference; Lyndon V. Slocumb to North Nebraska Conference; L. K. McNeill to Minnesota Conference; E. P. Hall to Illinois Conference.

- 15. Who Have Died?
  Thomas H. Walker.
- 16. Who have been Located at their own Request?
  S. F. Spitz, H. W. Smith, L. L. Wilcox, B. F Stiles, W. S. Scott.
- 17. Who have been Located?
  None.
- 18. Who have Withdrawn?
  None.
- 19. Who have been permitted to Withdraw under Charges or Complaints?

  David E. Murray.
- 20. Who have been Expelled?
  None.
- 21. What other personal Notation should be made? None.
- 22. Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?
  H. I. Farr, Frank Fox, F. J. Norton, C. E. Logsdon, I. B. Sevy,
  W. L. Meinzer, E. E. Simmons, I. P. Potter, C. L. Fillebrown, Thomas
  Simmons, E. P. Cook.
- 23. Who are the Superannuated Preachers?

  Lewis Hartsough, D. W. Chamberlain, S. F. Brown, Thomas Wilkinson, Archibald Jamieson, A. E. Tanner, F. C. MacDuffee, J. G. Hall, T. H. Youngman, H. M. Springer, Oliver Williams, O. A. Phillips, William O. Gram, G. J. Corwin.
- 24. Who are the Triers of Appeals?

  J. W. Taylor, G. W. Rosenberry, H. S. Wilkinson, A. S. Loveali,
  J. P Jenkins.
- 25. What is the Statistical Report for this year? See Statistical Tables.
- 26. What is the Aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer? \$30,743.
- 27. What are the Claims on the Conference Fund? \$5,500.
- 28. What has been Received on these Claims, and how has it been Applied?
  \$3,224. Applied on above claims.
- 29. Where are the Preachers Stationed? See Appointments.
- 30. Where Shall the Next Conference be held? Pierre.

# APPOINTMENTS

#### ABERDEEN DISTRICT.

G. F. Hopkins, District Superintendent, 514 7th Ave. E., Aberdeen.

6 Aberdeen, J. W. Taylor. 2 Andover, N. F. Sanderson. 3 Ashton, J. E. Norvell.

2 Bath, Putney and Columbia, E. E. Dean.

Bowdle, J. G. Richardson, (supply)
Bristol and Butler, J. M. Hunter.
Britton. W. D. Deeble.,
Carlyle, L. F. Woolson. (Supply)
Claremont. N. P. Johnson.
Conde. G. H. Clark, (Supply)
Devoe and Cresbard, F. L. Brom-

5 Doland, Lawrence L. Layne.

1 Frankfort, W. (Supply) W. Birkbiemer

(Supply)
2 Frederick, Jas. H. Brown.
2 Groton, J. E. Lombard.
2 Hecla, L. C. Yoeman, (Supply)
2 Herried and Pollock, G. T. Matthews.

Linews.

Langford, E. H. Free.
Leola, To be Supplied.

Mellette, F. B. Dunn.

Northville, H. L. Hastings.

Roscoe, L. F. Woolson, (Supply)

Selby, Albert Hartt.

Warner. J. C. Harris, (Supply)

#### HURON DISTRICT.

# 5 C. H. Hager, District Superintendent, Huron.

2 Alpena, John Kaye.
2 Blunt. Albert Wilson, (Supply)
1 Burdette, F. Decker, (Supply)
1 Carpenter, J. D. Stevens.
7 DeSmet, Henry Preston.
2 Esmond, B. W. McEldowney.
4 Faulkton, Ernest Holgate.
1 Gettysburg, J. W. Collins, (Supply)

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Harrold, To be Supplied.
Highmore, H. K. Wallis.
Hitchcock. John Clayton.
Huron, Duane Rifenbark.
Iroquois, A. M. Ward.
Lane, C. D. Bullock.

1 Lebanon, J. W. Hartley, (Supply)
4 Miller, O. W. Butterfield.
1 Onida, W. O. Wolcott (Supply)
1 Pearl Creek & Cavour John Wood.
3 Pierre, A. S. Loveall.
3 Redfield, J. S. Harkness.
1 Rockham, Fred Rawlinson.
1 Seneca, Ed T. Underwood (Supply)
1 Tulare, J. L. Walsh (Supply)
1 Wessington, E. R. Little.
3 Wessington Springs J. M. Tibbetts
1 Wessington Springs Ct., M. R. Baldridge, (Supply)

Baldridge, (Supply)

1 Wolsey, C. C. Boslaugh.

#### MITCHELL DISTRICT.

# J. O. Dobson, District Superintendent, Mitchell.

1 Alexandria, P. H. McBeth. 1 Armour, W. N. Potter, (Supply) 2 Artesian, J. H. Kearton. 1 Bard and Riverside, F. E. Stahl,

(Supply)

Bijou Hills and LaRoche, T. J.

Black, (Supply)

Rridgewater, J. A. McDonald, 1 Bridgewater,

(Supply)

(Supply)

Canistota, J. R. Kuns, (Supply)

Chamberlain, L. A. McDonald.
Draper and Spears, To be Supplied

Dudley and Stickney, R. N. Kratz.

Ethan, Albert Evans, (Supply)

Fulton and Fairview, Albert E.

Hocking.

Farmer, Samuel Marble, (Supply)

Fairfax, F. L. Kruwell, (Supply)

Geddes, A. P. Janes.

Gregory, W. T. Ferguson.

Herrick. To be Supplied.

1 Howard, J. R. Payne.
Kennebec, To be Supplied.
2 Kimball, H. C. Graf.
Letcher, To be Supplied.
6 Mitchell, H. S. Wilkinson.
3 Minty Circuit, W. F. Minty.
1 Mt. Vernon, W. B. Stewart.
3 Murdo, C. M. Knight, (Supply)
1 Parkston, Marion L. Sunderlin,
(Supply) (Supply)

(Supply)
2 Plankinton, P. O. Bunt.
1 Platte, E. E. Hunt.
1 Presho, H. L. Shoemaker, (Supply)
2 Salem, W. A. Wilkinson.
4 Scotland, C. E. Wilcox.
1 Springfield, R. E. Tarleton.
3 Tripp and Delmont, F. H. Ray.
1 Tyndall T. M. Brimlow.

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1 Wagner, A. J. Hoyer, (Supply)
2 White Lake, J. C. Baker, (Supply)
1 Woonsocket, Louis L. Lane.

Thos Nicholson, Secretary Board of Education; S. F. Kerfoot, President Dakota Wesleyan University; J. L. Seaton, C. V. Gilliland, Professors Dakota Wesleyan University, and members Mitchell Quarterly Conference.

C. B. Clark, Chaplain National Soldiers' Sanitarium, Springs, S. D.; R. B. Hughes, Calvin H. Bryan, E. S. Chappell, D. W. Tracy, John Hall, J. W. Lucas, P. I. King, Missionaries in the Black Hills Mission.

Martin Thomas, Missionary in Utah.

- A. E. Carhart, Conference Temperance Agent; Joel A. Smith, W. J. Calfee, Conference Evangelists, Members Mitchell Quarterly Conference.
- G. T. Notson, Secretary Conference Claimants' Endowment Fund, Member Alexandria Quarterly Conference.

Jos. Snowden, California State Supt. Pacific Social Purity Association.

Jas. Crowther, R. J. VanDerVoort, W. P. Slocum, V. K. Brown, Nels Fanebust, C. D. Lockridge, left without appointment to attend some one of our schools.

W. A. Greene, Conference Sunday School Missionary, Member Mitchell Quarterly Conference.

#### SIOUX FALLS DISTRICT.

- 2 A. C. Shepherd, District Superintendent, 610 S. Spring Ave., Sioux Falls.
- 2 Alcester, L. R. Keckler.
- 1 Beresford, E. E. Saxton.
- 1 Beresford (Supply) Bloomingdale and Richland, To 1 Junius, John Oakley.

be Supplied.

Burbank, To be Supplied.

- 3 Canton, W. A. Cave.
- 1 Centerville, O. M. Hyde.
- 2 Colman, L. W. Scott. Colton, To be Supplied.
- 2 Davis, C. M. Stebbins.
- 5 Dell Rapids, John Jones.
- 2 Egan, H. C. Stebbins, (Supply)
- 1 Elk Point, J. Clarence Greene.
- 1 Flandreau, A. W. Thurston.
- 14 Flandreau Ct., D. C. Arms, (Supply)
  - Garretson, To be Supplied.
- 5 Gayville, H. P Eberhart.

- 1 Harrisburg, E. E. Vernon, (Supply)
- 4 Hartford, T. H. Trevithick.
- Ct., Hugh Dudlay, 2 Hudson, C. E. Figles, (Supply)
  - 2 Hurley, W. O. Redfield.

  - 2 Lennox, I. E. Schuler, (Supply)
  - 4 Madison, A. D. Thibodeau. Marion, To be Supplied.
  - 1 Montrose, Myron Redfield, (Sup ply)
    - 2 Oldham, G. W. Prather, (Supply)
    - 2 Parker, G. D. Brown.
      - Sioux Falls:
        - 3 First Church, J. M. Brown. 2 Jordan Church, S. H. Shurtleff.
  - 1 Valley Springs, J. T. Gurney.
  - 2 Vermillion, W. S. Shepherd.
  - 1 Wakonda, P. H. Weston.
  - 7 Yankton, G. W. Rosenberry.

#### WATERTOWN DISTRICT.

# 5 W. I. Graham, District Superintendent, Watertown.

- 5 Arlington, A. C. McLean.
- 2 Big Stone, W. E. Gale.
- 2 Bradley, Geo. D. Egner.
- 1 Brookings, S. L. Boyers.
- 1 Bruce, F. C. Page.
- 1 Castlewood, M. E. Nickerson.
- Clark, J. B. Dibble.
   Clear Lake, Thomas Sanderson.
- 2 Corona and Wilmot, E. O. Machemer.
- 2 Elkton and Aurora, Charles E. Walsh, (Supply)
- 1 Florence, A. L. Cathers.
- 1 Garden City, H. G. Ozanne.
- 1 Gary, L. W. Darling.

- 2 Hazel, J. A. Willey.
- 2 Henry, W. E. Hartung.
- 1 Kampeska, A. J. Oliver, (Supply)
- 2 Lake Preston, C. H. Lawrence.2 Milbank, O. E. Boyce.
- 1 Sisseton, Ralph C. Shearer.
- 1 Summitt, H. C. Riley.
  - Vienna and Willow Lakes, To be Supplied.
- 2 Watertown, J. P. Jenkins.
  - Waubay, To be Supplied.
- 1 Webster, J. M. McDonald.
- 4 White, Paul Gardner.
- 1 White Rock, C. C. Hull. 1 Windom, W. J. Douglas.



# REPORTS OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

# ABERDEEN DISTRICT.

We are thankful to report God's continued presence during the past year, notwithstanding the many changes of membership and pastors in several of the charges. One charge has lost by removal and otherwise over fifty members, and to offset these, thirty-six have been received in various ways. Many other charges have also had removals. We have had to change pastors also in several places since last Conference. Two charges have three supplies each year, while two have had two each. Oh, for young men of health, vigor and Christlikeness to take supply work and in due time enter Conference, that more stability may thus be given our work. We often wonder how the work can advance at all when we are compelled to have so many changes of members and pastors.

We reported an increase in probationers and full members close to five hundred last year, but will likely increase not much more than one hundred this year. Several more will be reported from the Aberdeen and Devoe and Cresbard work. Also from Northville, Doland, Selby, Bowdle, quite an increase will be shown; while Andover will show that it has doubled its membership through a revival last winter, where the pastor was assisted by Ensign Grass of the Salvation Army.

Then Westport on the Frederick work had had a very gracious out-pouring. Several times of recent years there has been talk of closing up this appointment, as so many of our people have moved out, and those replacing them had generally belonged to either the Catholic or Dunkard Churches, but now we have a flourishing society, with many more than enough to double the former membership. The pastor was his own Evangelist at this point. Nearly all charges had revival services during the year, in some instances conducted by the pastor, in others with the aid of neighboring pastors, while in some Evangelists were employed.

The new work taken up last fall on the Minneapolis and St. Louis Railway Extension, Carlyle & Tolstoy, has been supplied by a young brother. He has faithfully preached, visited and started the work. We hope next year to perfect an organization in part of this field, continue work in another part, and surrender a part to another denomination doing work in the same town.

During the year the Quarterly Conference requested the District Superintendent to call a District Conference. We held our Convention in Northville, S. D. We are not yet fully convinced that it was wise or otherwise, but hope it will turn out to be very wise.

From a material point of view we can say we have had a good year. As a whole, the District has been visited with a very good crop, so improvements on charges and parsonages has been the order of the day.

In December, 1907, the Kitty Edwards Memorial Church of Cresbard, South Dakota, erected to the memory of the departed sister of our Brother F L. Bromaghin, was duly dedicated by the Rev. E. E. Hunt. An amount sufficient to cover the full costs has been nearly all collected, and before the calendar year closes we hope to hear that not one dollar remains against this fine property.

In February, the Britton Church was re-dedicated. It has been remodeled, added to, and a basement fitted up, and so was practically a new building throughout. It is an excellent Church building, and meets all the needs of Britton Methodism. The cost was about \$4500, and was all subscribed for by the able work of the Rev. W. H. Jordan, D. D., of the First Church of Minneapolis, Minn.

Claremont, following Bristol's example, tore their old Church nearly to pieces, and a commodious, beautiful new structure has been evolved. This will cost about \$4,000. It has gallery, class room, basement and complete furnishing. It will be rededicated shortly after conference.

The corner stone of the new Aberdeen Church was laid with due ceremony September 8, 1908. The Rev. A. Gillies, D. D., of Hennepin Ave. Church, Minneapolis Minn., delivered the speech. The contract price or prices of this building is about \$65,000. It is expected that the dedication will occur next June.

Report on the Hecla work says it will soon have a new Church dedicated. The neighborhood being rural and composed of German Lutherans and Methodists, it was found necessary, in order to build at all, that the two societies unite.

The Frederick church has had a thorough repapering and repainting inside.

The Westport Church, new paper and a new bell.

The Churches on the following charges were improved as indicated below:

Leola, new furnace and lighting plant.

Hecla, new pews and a new cement walk in front of the church property.

Doland, repapering, repainting and cement walk laid.

Ashton, a new foundation put in, building repapered and other repairs.

Clearview on Ashton, repair, papering and cement walk laid. Mellette, repainted outside.

Bristol, outside painted.

Warner, repair and repainting.

Selby, new furnace, painting, repair and cement walk laid.

Frankfort, new foundation and basement.

Langford, repair and new cement put in.

Parsonages also have received their share of good things.

At Andover, a new, eight room house has been completed costing over \$2000, most of which amount has already been paid.

In Fredrick the upstairs part finished and other improvements added.

Leolo, a new parsonage costing about \$1,000, besides much new work.

Hecla has enlarged the house so that it is now a fine, commodious building and free from debt.

Bristol parsonage was painted outside.

Langford has spent much in building a veranda, raising building and placing a new foundation under this domicile.

Briton, newly painted.

Yet with all these material improvements, there is room for some others to arise and build, rebuild, remodel, repair and do other good things of this nature for some time yet to come.

We expect to read in the Treasurer's and Statistician's reports when published, that the charges of Aberdeen District will nearly all have their benevolences in full. For various reasons there was not the special emphasis placed on the foreign and home missions, and Church extension collections on this as on the other Districts in the Conference, yet as for years before, we confidently expect to have raised more for the regular and other benevolences per member, than any other District in the Conference. We are the least of the Districts, yet we gladly measure up to our responsibilities fully as do the larger districts.

We also are sending our full quota of students to Dakota Wesleyan University. Last commencement, out of the twenty college graduates, five were from the bounds of the Aberdeen District. Two young men, whose homes are with us, have gone there to take studies, and will eventually enter the ministry. Two more have been discovered by the pastor and are at high schools in their town and will later go to Dakota Wesleyan. We hope these, and many others from within our own Conference, will, when equipped, enter the ministry of our own state.

We believe such will make our most efficient workers and leaders in the future, and that such can be found in increasing

numbers when pastors seek for and encourage young men called of God to enter our own work. We wish to place this as a burden on the hearts of our pastors and also our laity. May the Lord send more laborers into the harvest.

Brethren, we do not mention the names of the hard working, self-sacrificing pastors. You hear of their work, however, in this report. May the Lord bless all the pastors and their families on this District.

We record our hearty Thanksgiving to Almighty God for the preservation of all lives of pastors and their families during the year.

We need better business methods to obtain in most of our charges the money necessary for Ministerial support, the running expenses and other finances. We hope this may soon be brought up.

The pastor's salary will show again, as each of the last two years, a marked increase; yet with a little effort these can well be increased and brought to a basis more commensurate with the cost of living in these expensive times.

Again, we need more pastors and church members who will aid in every way possible to evangelize the towns and communities in which they live. We wish to have members in large numbers who will aid more zealously in Revivals and in personal evangelism. and in any and all other things which pertain to the winning of souls for the Master.

Like priest, like people; and also, like people, like priest. We must mutually, pastor and people, work for the salvation of the lost. May the Holy Spirit endow both preacher and people with power to gather them in.

Then we pray a further endowment upon all to build up and lead to full salvation who now know Him, and all who are to seek and find Him through our efforts.

"Onward, Christian Soldier, marching as to war, With the Cross of Jesus going on before; Christ, the Royal Master, leads against the foe, Forward, into battle see his banner go."

GEORGE F. HOPKINS, Dist. Supt.

# HURON DISTRICT.

With gratitude to God and to you, which must be wordless, because it cannot be expressed, I come to you with this report. If what is to follow does not reveal the faithfulness of your fellow-workers on Huron District, and does not at the same time publish the unquestioned presence with us of Him who said, "I will never leave you," it will not be worth your hearing, for the brethren have been faithful, and He has been with us.

First of all we feel impelled to speak of God's kindly dealing with us. No deaths in our ranks, and no sorrows of a deeply serious nature. Four little strangers have come and received joyful welcome in different parsonage homes. Three of our ministers, not less loyal to our form of government than last year have come under her majesty, the American queen. It gives us peculiar pleasure to announce the marriage of these well nigh hopeless bachelors.

The year has been crowded with surprises for me. The first half of it I was almost a constant sufferer; then the hospital; then restored health, and the most delightful four months work of my life. It is impossible to doubt the efficiency of prayer as shown in my remarkable recovery. All over the conference ministers and laymen were praying for me. No patient has ever gone through the same operation and recovered more rapidly and more surely than I.

During the year we have entered upon five church enterprises and completed two of them. Our first dedication was the Viola Church on Wessington Springs charge. This church is a model of neatness, costing, I think, \$3,000, all of which has been fully provided for. This church is named after Bro. J. M. Tibbitts, who The next dediwas instrumental in securing its construction. catory service was at Rockham, Rev. Chas. D. Bullock, Pastor. This is a thoroughly modern building, with furnace, pews, lighting plant and class room. It has cost \$3,500, all provided for, and will seat more people than the entire population of Rockham. subscriptions for another church on the same charge have been secured, and it is hoped that the building will be completed before This church will be located at Miranda, and will cost about \$1800. A new house of worship is being erected at Blunt, and will be completed before winter. This is a four gable structure with League room, basement and furnace, and will cost \$5000. For nearly a quarter of a century we have had a badly racked, decidedly unattractive church building there, it having been roughly handled by a cyclone. This was under mortgage for a large sum, which was finally discharged the first of the year. The Church Extension Society having made a large concession. Our membership there six months ago was only seventeen. tent with a new and commodious church, this little society, now numbering less than fifty, is building a fine parsonage to cost \$2500, and this will be ready for the pastor shortly after Conference. This double undertaking will cost about \$7500, most of which is covered by subscription. Rev. Albert Wilson, who has been in this country but seven months, had led in all this. The Philip Church, which this Conference helped at its last session, and which will be called the Iliff Memorial, is well under way. I do not know what the

Last of all, the Church at Lane, where we estimated cost is. organized a class this spring. They have decided to build there, and subscriptions are being made. Bro. Albert Hocking is pastor. An eight room parsonage, costing \$1200, has been built at Esmond. This was done right after Conference, and Bro. McEldowney has had the pleasure of living in it most of the year. As I may not speak of this charge again, let me say that it is one of our new recruits, having been an out appointment of the Iroquois charge until this year. They requested separation and asked for a preacher. They have paid him \$800 and house, doubled their membership, and raised about \$500 for benevolences. This is an up-to-date appointment, paying their pastor monthly through the bank. Harrold, another new charge, has built a small parsonage, valued at \$700, and is planning for a new Church. Harrold circuit has made a fine record this year. Rev. J. W. Hartley is pastor. At Tulare a neat \$1000 parsonage has been built and completed, and Pastor Walsh has lived in it most of the year. This house is entirely paid for. Improvements on the Church property have been made on a number of charges, but I must not hold you to make further mention of them. The old Church debt at Redfield, which was over a thousand dollars, has been lifted and substantial improvements made. Under the leadership of J. S. Harkness, this Church has had a great year. A gracious revival was held shortly after Conference, resulting in a goodly addition to the membership, audiences have been large, all benevolences fully met, pastor paid one month before Conference. That is the way to do business. Pierre has had a silver anniversary, at which time it cleared up all outstanding debts, rejoiced not a little, and made plans for a grand forward movement. Rev. A. S. Loveall is pastor. Iroquois, with substantial improvemnts on its parsonage, a large increase in membership, a magnificent offering for Missions, has had the best year in its recent history. Bro. Joseph Snowden is pastor. Wessington Springs stands at the front once more in its unparalleled missionary offering of nearly \$2000. Among other good things this charge has its plans for a fine modern parsonage. A new charge has developed out of the territory included within the Wessington Springs Circuit, Lane and Viola. And still we shall have a Wessing-This, we believe, to be the fruit of the Missionary ton Circuit. Huron has had one of its richest years, with growth in every department, and its pastor, Rev. Duane Rifenbark, has been invited back by an unanamous vote for the fifth year.

We left Vermillion with one great purpose dominating all others, to win souls. For Huron District, I can say a faithful effort has been made to awaken men and bring them to Christ. The visible results may have been disappointing, yet advances have been made, and many have been added to the list of the saved.

Revivals that have wrought much good, having been held in Miller, DeSmet, Pierre, Redfield, Faulkton, Huron, Lane, Carpenter, Esmond and Highmore. On other charges by direct personal work, a goodly number have been brought to the Lord.

My hope is that reports will show appreciable growth in Sunday School work and in our Epworth and Junior Leagues. departments of our Church have not been neglected, but how difficult it seems to secure substantial gains. A very enjoyable and profitable Epworth League Convention was held at Huron, where excellent plans were made for future District work our fall and spring Ministerial Associations were largely attended, and the programs, I believe, were an inspiration to all. The ministers of Huron District believe in attending these Association meetings, and by coming in such large numbers have made the occasions mean much to our entire District. Foreign and Home Missions have had right of way with us and the returns will show that our laymen have responded loyally to the appeals made In these directions. I rejoice heartily in every dollar raised for these two great causes. In the commendable work we are doing for the parent societies, I trust we are not forgetting the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. Are not the appeals of these magnificent organizations as urgent, is not our sister woman as greatly needed in the wide stretches of heathenism, as our brother man? Brothers, let us join with the devoted leaders of this society in their call, an auxiliary for every charge.

The County Local Option Campaign now on, has demanded some of our time and much prayerful consideraion.

Every man appointed to his field on our District at the last Conference has remained, and no charge was without a preacher, the last Sunday of this Conference year. Many of our official boards, in asking for a preacher next year, supplement the call with the offer of an advanced salary. The region west of the river, which was placed under my supervision, was served by five men who remained through the year. We are holding the ground and making ready for the permanent settlers. The whole field is now turned over to the Black Hills Mission.

Our laymen and pastors are working in beautiful harmony. Together they are planning for larger things than ever, and I trust are all believing that, though our yesterdays were good, the tomorrows of our Church will be still better.

C. E. HAGER, District Superintendent.

# SIOUX FALLS DISTRICT.

In making this report I fully realize how much we have not done which we would like to be able to report, and how much we have done that we will not be able to report, for tabulated statistics and figures can never tell the full story of life's achievements.

The appointments one year ago show the following places to be supplied: Burbank, Junius, Lennox and Marion. Methodistically, Burbank did not exist, we hope it is now beginning to be born. About the first of January we secured the services of E. W. Stebbins for Junius, who labored there until the first of August. For the last few weeks Brother A. D. Thibodeau has held afternoon services, which have been very gratefully received I. E. Schuler, a student at Dakota Wesleyan, was found for Lennox, and has succeeded well. At Marion, alas! Methodism has superannuated, and the remnant of a former Church has maintained only Sunday School services, not being able to provide for a preacher.

The first break in the ranks came in April, when L. L. Wilcox, of Egan, asked to be relieved from duty, and left for Texas to engage in farming. He will ask for a location. Brother H. C. Stebbins, from Vermont, has filled the vacancy so well that he will be appointed to stay on. At Wakonda, H. W. Smith was compelled to give up the work on account of poor health, and will ask for a location. Another Vermonter, R. H. Stebbins, was secured for this place and tarried there a few months, but left the charge to engage in evangelistic work. O. M. Mitchell, of Bloomingdale and Richland, felt obliged to leave his work in July to seek the curative effects of the mineral waters of Hot Springs. Brother Chas. Moore, local preacher at Vermillion, has acceptably filled the place. The others as appointed, have stayed by. Royal men are they! Their names are written on high. I have not time or ability to tell the whole story of their work and their worth.

Evangelism has been emphasized. Revival meetings have been held on nearly all the charges. At Yankton, Parker, Madison, Centerville, Hurley, Hartford, Gayville, Oldham and First Church, Sioux Falls, the results were especially gracious and gratifying, as well as at many other points where the seed was sown just as faithfully, and while the harvest may not seem as great, who knows what the Book of Eternity may reveal? Last year our District reported a decrease of 145 members, but by the help of God the tide has been turned, and we expect that our reports will show this year an increase of over 200. We are not boastful There is infinite pathos in figures which show so small a in this. Please God, they will be better another year. The superintendent has earnestly striven to make the quarterly meeting a season of spiritual refreshing. At Garretson, in one of the services, the mighty power of God was felt, and eleven precious souls wept their way to the altar of penetence and prayer. During the

winter months I was absent from home practically all the time helping the brethren in revival services.

During the year we purchased a tent to be used in holding tent meetings, and while only two meetings were held this season, we hope next year to see the tent put to more constant use.

The Churches have been faithfully exhorted concerning the need and duty of properly caring for their pastors. Some of these heroic men are so hard pressed to provide the necessities for their families that it has made my heart ache. But our folks are waking up. Some of the most princely givers in Methodism live in the Sioux Falls District. We have increased the whole aggregate of pastor's salaries by \$2000, or nearly 8½ per cent, and yet we have not reached the end of what we ought and expect to do.

Benevolences have not been neglected. Some charges will show a great increase, some a falling off, but we believe on the whole a good report will be made. Brother J. E. Crowther, our Conference Missionary Secretary, has done excellent work on many charges but of necessity could not reach all.

Early in the spring a severe cyclone struck the little town of Valley Springs, completely demolishing our church building. Fortunately we had tornado insurance for \$1800, and we are now rebuilding on the old site. At Mt. Zion, on the Centerville charge, where our Church was destroyed by lightning a year ago last July, a commodious and beautiful Church was dedicated the 4th of this month. The last dollar of the \$2400 cost was subscribed amid great rejoicing of the people and showers of Heavenly Grace.

Improvements on Church property in sums of from six hundred dollars down, have been made on the following charges: Sioux Falls First, Hartford, Montrose, Parker, Yankton, Elk Point, Flandreau, Dell Rapids, Flandreau Circuit, Gayville, Vermillion, Canton, Hudson, Alcester, Beresford and Sioux Falls Jordan Church.

In some places the people have arisen in their might and declared themselves free from the bondage of old debts. In other places the indebtedness has been reduced, and yet there is more to do.

The general health of the parsonage families has been good. Brother and Sister G. D. Brown, of Parker, Brother and Sister G. W. Prather, of Oldham, Brother and Sister J. T. Gurney, of Montrose, have received welcome additions to their families. In the home of Brother and Sister H. C. Stebbins, of Egan, the death-angel came, and shortly after their arrival in this state, a sweet little daughter was transplanted to the Paradise of God. Through the lingering illness of the child and the sorrow of her leaving, they had the loving sympathy of the kindest of Parishioners and the sustaining comfort of Divine Grace. Brother W. O. Redfield has had almost constant sickness in his home, and Brother C. E.

Figles for a time was unable to do his work, but through it all they come with faith triumphant and love sweeter than before. Personally, I want to thank the All-Father for health that has enabled me to meet all my appointments, and to complete what, I believe, is the greatest year's work in my life. I have preached on an average of four times every week since appointed to this office, and that is only a small part of the work performed.

Two district meetings have been held during the year. With a good attendance and a deep interest these times of tarrying together with him have proven seasons of blessing and inspiration.

At the close of the Epworth League Assembly held at Canton in July, in a council of the ministers and members of the Assembly, was decided to plan for a great camp-meeting to be held on the Assembly grounds at Canton next summer. We expect to make this a great camp-ground equal to some which have become hisoric in Methodism.

A well attended convention of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society was held at Canton in May. This splendid organization will make a good report of its activities on this district this year.

The Sunday Schools are of various grades of efficiency. I have come to see as never before how great is the opportunity, and how important the work of the Sunday School superintendent. We have some who truly magnify their office, others—but let our silence speak our sorrow.

A few well conducted Junior Leagues are maintained. Capable leaders are hard to find, hence many charges have no organization of this department.

Epworth Leagues at many points are doing excellent work. We regret that this cannot be said of every place. One sub-district convention was held during the year and proved a great success.

The Ladies' Aid Societies, God bless them! Altogether I think there is no one society or organization within the Church on this district that has worked so faithfully and efficiently as have the Ladies' Aid Societies. Speed the day when we may have Men's Aid Societies equally active and equally effective in caring for the interests of the Church.

In a general review of the closing year, I want to say to these kindly, kingly men among both ministry and laity, that their unfailing kindness and courtesy to me, and unswearving love and loyalty to my Lord have made me feel that it is a great honor to be affiliated with them in Christian Service.

The year has been one of toils and tears, of trials and triumphs. Sometimes I have felt like Elijah on Mt. Carmel and some times I have been more like that discouraged prophet under the juniper tree. Delightful fellowship with the saints, the most precious and hallowed associations with God's uncrowned nobility, have given me some pre-visions of Heavenly bliss and made me forget the unpleasantness of some experiences through which I have painfully passed. The year has brought to me a larger sense of personal responsibility to the Kingdom of Christ, a clearer vision of the vast importance of the work of the Methodist ministry, a deeper pity and a higher regard for that more envied than enviable individual, the district superintendent, a broader charity for my brethern in the ministry, a greater love for my adorable Lord, and thus, I trust, I am going on to perfection "Not as though I had already attained, either were already made perfect, but I follow after if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus. Let us therefore, as may be perfect, be thus minded; and if in anything ye be otherwise minded, God shall reveal even this unto you."

A. C. SHEPHERD, District Superintendent.

# WATERTOWN DISTRICT.

Three attempts already made to report the material and spiritual results of one year, evidence no easy task. All of the assignments of last Conference have remained intact, except one, All in all this has been the best year of the four.

Revivals: Union meetings at Lake Preston and Arlington with Mr. Lowry, Evangelist, proved to be revivals with good fruits. The results of our church were very satisfactory, membership practically doubled, and church life and interest quickened. Union meetings at Clear Lake, White and Clark with Mr. Johnson, Evangelist, were likewise very successful. Our membership largely increased at each point. The culture and care of this new accession will make the coming year a busy one for each pastor. H. C. Riley his own Evangelist on the Gary charge held two successful meetings, resulting in forty-five accessions to full membership from probation. Bradley has had a very prosperous year. It was left to be supplied last Conference. While the charge was at the point of greatest discouragement, the District Superintendent secured Rev. G. C. Miller to conduct revival meetings for four weeks. Good results followed. The church took new courage and hopefulness. Spirituality was deepened and several added in the church by letter and on probation. Geo. D. Egner of Northwest Nebraska Conference was secured as pastor about March 1. This discouraged people have not only paid more salary than usual but have expended \$900 in enlarging and repairing the church at Bradley. Dr. J. P. Jenkins had charge of the re-opening and reported a delightful occasion and all expense of improvement fully met. A revival meeting was held at White

Rock with Evangelist Window, L. V. Slocumb and District Superintendent assisting, resulting in some additions to the church. pastor secured the service of Mr. Grass and held meeting at a new point, resulting in the organization of a class of 23, and the organization of a new circuit of two points, now offering to pay \$700 salary, and furnish a house. This was a genuine revival. The plan is to recommend that a pastor be sent to this new circuit, Windom. A union meeting at Castlewood resulted in twenty accessions to the membership. The last three years have been prosperous and it offers a fertile field for a new pastor the coming year. In a meeting at Corona the pastor was assisted part of the time by Bro. Fanebust. Some thirty were added to the full membership. A unique experience confronts the stewards. All claims met and \$100 in the treasury. A special meeting was held at Sisseton soon after Conference, resulting in some accessions to the church. F. C. Page held a meeting at Parnell School house with good success. He was assisted in a union meeting at Elkton by Dr. J. P. Jenkins, resulting in several accessions to full membership and a revived church. The pastor assisted by a singer held a profitable meeting at Henry. This charge has had a good year with their new pastor.

Building and Improvements:—Soon after Conference a new church was dedicated at Elrod on the Henry charge. It had been erected during the pastorate of Bro. MacEldowney. Dr. Thomas Nicholson assisted in dedicatory services. He preached a very instructive and most helpful sermon. The church is valued at \$2,000. Some \$500 was promptly contributed to meet all liabilities.

The little flock at Summit, after waiting twenty years, has a delightful church home. On September 27, Dr. Kerfoot, the new president of Dakota Wesleyan, assisted in the dedication, preaching two very interesting and helpful sermons. He received a contribution of \$650 to meet all liabilities. The building was formally dedicated by the District Superintendent at the close of the evening service.

Lake Preston had a great day October 11, the time of their new church dedication. Dr. Stout of St. Paul preached morning and evening and handled the financial feature with the skill of a genius. The church cost \$5,500. Sixteen hundred were subscribed at the morning and afternoon services, more than enough to meet all claims. The District Superintendent dedicated the building at the afternoon service.

Through the persistent efforts of C. D. Lockridge, pastor at White Rock, a parsonage, much needed for a long time has been secured also the title of a Baptist church was transferred to our church on the new charge he developed. He and his wife return to DePauw University to complete their college course. Our best wish and prayers go with them.

A new church at Florence is ready for the plasterer and will no doubt be dedicated early in the coming year. Bro. A. J. Oliver, the pastor has been busy here and there during the year.

The church and parsonage at Sisseton have been painted on the outside and some other repairs made, costing \$300. The church property here is in excellent state of repair. Bro. Dunn is closing his fourth year, and desires the time limit to be applied if he can be sent to some charge more convenient to the College at Mitchell. He has a son there now and wishes to place a daughter there also.

Soon after Conference Dr. Nicholson reopened the church at Milbank after enlargement and valuable improvements, at a cost of \$3,500, all provided for.

Watertown has made valuable improvements costing \$800. The pastor has kept his people busy doing things for the temporal and spiritual welfare of the church. Sixty additions to full membership.

Personal Mention:—Ernest Redmayne came from England in December and was appointed to supply Summit. During his pastorate the new church was built and dedicated.

Nels Fanebust and wife, after three successful years in charge of Castlewood, have decided to attend School at Evanston for three years.

- J. A. Willey was transferred from the West Wisconsin Conference and stationed at Hazel in March. He has been well received and has shown much industry in looking after all the affairs of the charge. He has secured a liberal subscription toward the enlargement and improvement of the church in Hazel.
- F. P. Cook of Big Stone was relieved May 4th, having been called to care for his aged father. His people greatly regretted to have him go. W. E. Gale of the Northern New York Conference was promptly secured and came at once. He is a good fit.

Chas. E. Walsh came directly from England and has supplied Bruce charge since March 8, very acceptably.

F. C. Page will take studies in Brookings college and serve a charge nearby. His report will show good results of his labors on the Elkton charge.

Death has not visited any parsonage home but O. M. Hyde had the severe trial of almost fatal sickness in his family. For a while the life of his wife and young babe being in the balance, but his wife is now in usual health and babe slowly recovering.

The Garden City charge is flourishing.

L. V. Slocumb has been transferred to North Nebraska Conference and stationed at Beemer. For ten years he has done effective service in this conference and all will regret that he has gone from us, and breathe a prayer for his success in his new field. His wife has been in ill health for most of the year, having been absent for operation and nursing in a hospital for some time. Dr. E. P. Hall

after twelve years of capable and effective service in the Conference has been transferred to the Illinois Conference and stationed at Hoopeston, Ill., an excellent charge. Rev. S. L. Boyers, D. D. of that Conference comes in exchange to this Conference and is stationed at Brookings.

Rev. J. M. McDonald of North Nebraska Conference in exchange with L. V. Slocumb was transferred to this Conference and stationed at Webster. We cordially welcome him.

Miscellaneous:—Union meetings will be held with Mr. Lowry, Evangelist at Watertown, Nov. 22 and at Brookings in January after Holidays. Great things are expected of these meetings at the most important stations of this district.

The benevolences will show a very marked increase. However, we are most rejoiced over the blessed Spiritual results. God has been in the midst of His people. Over 400 have been received on probation over 300 received from probation. 275 received by letter, 165 removed by letter. The reports will show a good advance in membership.

We thank God for his gracious providences, and sustaining grace, We thank the ministry and laity for their hearty cooperation. A small part of the story can be reduced to language. The year becomes a memory and we face the future and dare hope for larger things.

W. I. GRAHAM. District Superintendent.

#### MITCHELL DISTRICT.

I rejoice to report that this has been the most productive year in the history of the Mitchell District, First in substantial improvements; Second in the amount of Benevolences; Third in Number of members added to the church.

First of all the college has had a great year, First \$100,000 of endowment has been completed. Dr. Nicholson the former President has been elected to the office of Secretary of Education. We have great satisfaction that he is making a splendid impression whereever he goes.

We felt that we were losers by his going from our midst and with fears lest his place would long be vacant, we set out to find a man for the vacancy he left. It was not long till candidates were many. After careful consideration Dr. S. F. Kerfoot of Minnesota was chosen and the feeling is now settling down upon us that he is the right man for the place.

Early in the year we had the pleasure of dedicating the fine New \$55,000 Stone Church at Mitchell; this event and day will never be forgotten. \$33,000 was raised entirely providing for the

indebtedness, and a Brotherhood of 240 members was organized, and best of all immediately after dedication 138 persons dedicated themselves to God, in a gracious revival.

The Ladies aid of this church numbers 300 members. They pledged \$9,000 on new church and have already paid \$5,160.

Membership of the Church 812; Sunday School 650; Cradle roll 250; Junior League 130; Two Epworth Leagues. Dr. Wilkinson deserves great credit for his brotherly and statesmanlike handling of this splendid enterprise and it is no wonder that his official board unanimously advanced his salary from \$1,500 to \$2,000.

Howard and Roswell: 36 received on probation, on Decision Day, practically all the Sunday School dedicated themselves to the service of God. Benevolences overflowing. Artesian, mortgage paid on church and parsonage painted, cement walk laid, benevolences in full and a new church subscribed for at Farwell.

Salem: The year at Salem was a great victory. The church has been entirely made over, walks have been laid, buildings painted, all practically paid for at a cost of \$1,300. Old things have passed away and all things are new. It required the burning spirit of Methodism to enthuse and awaken the people but the Salem church is now alive to every good work and Pastor Wilkinson is happy in his victory. Geddes, here was fought and won the greatest moral battle of the year. The pastor has set his face like flint against wrong and won. Some have been converted, Missionary offering increased 400 per cent. The Devil has been defeated and Methodism is camping on the field. Kimball, 37 added to the church; and an Epworth League of 39 members started; \$250 in improvements and \$1,000 in subscriptions for the new church at Pukawana which was destroyed by tornado June 27th.

White Lake has had a delightful year. Thirty-six added to the church, \$680 spent in improvements. A new church is being built at the Country Point. Chamberlain, Two new promising country points have been opened, a Junior League of 60 members, \$2,775 was spent on improvements, and things are on the advance generally.

Presho is getting subscriptions for the new church just dedicated well in hand. Some conversions are reported. Need here is a new parsonage.

Minty. Circuit is largely a memory, because of removals but we intend to try and hold the field. Tyndall had a good year under Bro. I. B. Sevy's administration, \$1,500 paid on debt; a goodly number converted and benevolences increased.

Springfield for the first time has become a station. Church Extension debt still remains against the property, a good brother paid \$70 on this. Benevolences show up well.

Scotland shows a steady growth all around. Sunday school

and Epworth League in prime condition and church services well attended. Tripp: Bro. Ray, the pastor is growing stronger each year in his work here. Benevolences show good increase. Woonsocket: Our pastor's home was gladdened by the advent of a pair of beautiful twins, and later saddened by the loss of one. Bro. McBeth has had a good year. Benevolences well in hand; congregations fill the church and a splendid spirit pervades the church. Letcher: Catholicism and the saloons run the town. We have a hard struggle here, but the gospel has been preached and Bro. Underwood has done valiant service for God. Some souls have been saved.

Mt. Vernon: Results here show a fine work done. Pastor has had a great temperance battle on hand, and won. Property has been improved. Souls been saved and benevolences pushed up.

Alexandria: Has four Mission Study Classes; \$50 sent to Sioux City Mission; a goodly number of conversions reported; Epworth League and Sunday school in prime condition; Benevolences \$920. Brother Notson led a temperance campaign in Alexandria and Hanson county with great success.

Platte: 45 added to the church; benevolences overflowing. Love abounds here and Christ is magnified.

Fairfax: Faithful work has been done here; a goodly number were added to the church. La Roche and Iona, many have been converted. A new parsonage is being built at Bijou Hills. Bro. Black is a success.

Material improvement not previously mentioned, a new parsonage at Wagner and at Gregory a \$3,500 church. Lots purchased at Herrick and church foundation in. An \$1,800 church just dedicated at Kennebec in Lyman county. People at Stony Butte have purchased and paid for a building to be used as a church.

At Murdo, Bro. Knight has built a church costing \$3,000 and at Draper a new church is well under way. Our student preachers have all done good work. Fifteen accessions at Ethan; fine benevolence report. Bro. Stahl has done excellent service. Bro. Hayer has put "Heart Blood" into his work. Stephens and Scott and James have done faithful service. We believe our experiment as to Missionary Secretary Crowther was a success. Bro. Joel A. Smith reports that he has been wonderfully blessed in his evangelistic work and has had 1,000 souls converted under his ministry this year. So far as I know, every preacher on the district comes up to conference this year with a clear bill of health; not a smell of smoke anywhere.

With profound gratitude to him who still says in terms of sweetness and power: "My presence shall go with thee and I will give thee rest," this report is submitted.

J. O. DOBSON, District Superintendent.

# REPORT OF COMMITTEES

# COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee reports as follows:

Board of Education: We heartily commend the work of the Board of Education. Its larger plans for sympathetic aid to all our institutions can only result in greater good to these worthy beneficiaries. We urge all the pastors to take a special collection for our schools for people of the white race in the South asked for by the Board of Education and to forward the same to New York at the earliest possible hour. The Students Loan Fund, Maintained by the Children's Day Collection is one of our most valuable benevolences. The demand for loans for needy students are still much more than the income and we urge our pastors to give prominence to the collection on Children's day, aiming to make it as large as possible. "The Christian Student" published by our Board of Education is replete with educational information and inspiration and should be placed in the hands of all those who are or who ought to be interested in our educational work. As fellow conference members, we are highly gratified over the election of Thomas Nicholson to the high office of Corresponding Secretary of this department of our church, and over the marked success he is already achieving.

Theological Institutions: We would reiterate former expressions of loyalty to our great theological institutes at Evanston, Boston, Madison, and would advise our young men to avail themselves of the valuable training for an efficient ministry that these schools of the prophets afford. We nominate as visitors to Garrett Biblical Institute; H. S. Wilkinson, and A. D. Thibodeau, with J. O. Dobson as alternate.

Dakota Wesleyan University: We are happy in the wise choice made by our college trustees, of Dr. S. F. Kerfoot as President of this growing institution and assure him of our co-operation with him in his great work as far as we are able to do so. He has captured our hearts and won our confidence thus early, and we believe him to be the providential successor of our beloved Dr. Nicholson. We note with pleasure the warm welcome faculty and students have accorded him. We are fully expecting the Institution to continue in its splendid record of growth and achievement. We recommend the presentation of the claims of our colleges upon our church early in the year and take, and if possible forward our collection before the end of the school year. We approve of the plan proposed by President Kerfoot looking toward the early erection of its needed buildings which plan is to enlist our young people in a pledge contest which already promises considerable success both in finan-

cial returns and in profitable advertisement. We further approve of the President's purpose to liquidate the present current indebtedness during this coming Conference year and promise to do what we can on our respective charges to assist him.

We also recommend the continued search for endowment and hope the quarter centennial in 1910 may be a time of rejoicing over the possession of a second \$100,000 endowment. We would nominate as visitors to the Dakota Wesleyan the following brethren for one, two and three years respectively; J. S. Harkness, J. M. Brown, and A. C. Shepherd.

J. W. TAYLOR, Chairman.

J. P. JENKINS, Secretary.

# FINANCIAL REPORT OF DAKOTA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

# Subscriptions to Endowment and Contingent Fund, With Payments For Year 1907-8.

# ABERDEEN DISTRICT.

#### Endowment Fund.

Town	Sub.	Paid	Town	Sub.	Paid
Ashton\$	50.00	\$	Frankfort	600.00	138.00
Andover	280.00	50.00	Frederick	650.00	15.00
Aberdeen	1,600.00	160.00	Groton	330.00	35.00
Bath	1,090.00		Hecla	50.00	25.00
Bristol		15.00	Leola	2,200.00	25.00
Bowdle	100.00		Langford	600.00	50.00
Britton	100.00	47.80	Mellette	50.00	5.00
Claremont	190.00	59.20	Northville	85.00	40.00
Conde	485.00	100.00	Pollock		5.00
Columbus		115.00	Sisseton	100.00	
DeVoe	1,300.00	31.00			
Doland	930.00	100.00	\$1	10,790.00	\$1,016.00

# Contingent Fund.

Town	Sub.	Paid	Town	Sub.	Paid
Bristol\$ Doland	$200.00 \\ 65.00$	\$ 5.00 15.00	Hougton Northville		$\frac{5.00}{45.00}$
Frederick	15.00		Sisseton	185.00	20.00
Groton	$\begin{array}{c} 120.00 \\ 25.00 \end{array}$	5.00	\$	675.00	\$ 95.00

# HURON DISTRICT.

# Endowment Fund.

Town	Sub.	Paid	Town	Sub.	Paid
Alpena\$	200.00 \$		Orient		26.50
Blunt	20.00		Pierre	740.00	35.00
Carpenter	9.00	4.00	Redfield	200.00	
DeSmet		43.00	Rockham and		
Esmond	150.00	10.00	Burdette		20.00
Faulkton	200.00	10.00	St. Lawrence		5.00
Huron	350.00	11.35	Tulare	50.00	70.00
Highmore	500.00	483.50	Wessington	100.00	
Hitchcock	155.00	5.46	Wessington Spgs	2,800.00	45.00
Ipswich	250.00		Wolsey	100.00	30.00
Iroquois	350.00		Virgil	25.00	110.00
Lebanon	100.00				
Miller	200.00	10.00		-	
Onida	520.00		\$	7,019.00	\$ 918.75

# Contingent Fund.

Town	Sub.	Paid	Town	Sub.	Paid
Alpena\$		25.00	Highmore		
Broadland			Miller		5.00
Blunt		5.00	Tulare	55.00	15.00
Carpenter	$\frac{40.00}{35.00}$	5.00		468.00	\$ 50.00

# MITCHELL DISTRICT.

# Endowment Fund.

	Town	Sub.	Paid	Town	Sub.	Paid
	Armour\$	610.00	\$ 233.00	Platte	1.00	62.50
	Artesian		25.00	Plankinton	150.00	50.00
	Alexandria	2,700,00		Pukwana	500.00	00.00
	Bijou Hills	_,	27.00	Parkston	120.00	5.00
	Canistota	10.00	10.00	Salem	625.00	5.00
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	Dunlap				425.00	65.00
٠	Draper		10.00	Springfield		10.00
	Ethan	175.00	125.00	Tripp and		
	Fairfax		50.00	Delmont	25.00	10.00
	Geddes	225.00		Tyndall	25.00	30.00
	Howard	600.00	116.90	Vivian	100.00	00.00
	Kimball		10.00	Wagner	100.00	25.00
		100.00	20.00	Woongoolret		
		100.00	00.00	Woonsocket		59.00
	Loomis		20.00	White Lake	35.00	75.00
	Mt. Vernon	712.00	110.00			
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# Contingent Fund.

Town	Sub.	Paid	Town	Sub.	Paid
Armour\$	55.00	3	Plankinton	85.00	20.00
Artesian	105.00	5.00	Parkston	110.00	45.00
Alexandria	175.00	5.00	Scotland	50.00	
Chamberlain	85.00	10.00	Springfield	45.00	20.00
Ethan	25.00		Tripp and		
Forestburg		5.00	Delmont	80.00	25.00
Fairfax	25.00	25.00	Tyndall	135.00	5.00
Geddes	35.00	5.00	Woonsocket	75.00	30.00
Howard	25.00	5.00	White Lake	55.00	5.00
Kimball	60.00		*Bridgewater	5.00	
Letcher	44.00	10.00		-	
Mt. Vernon	180.00	10.00		\$1,464.00	\$230.00

# SIOUX FALLS DISTRICT.

# Endowment Fund.

Town	Sub.	Paid	Town	Sub.	Paid
Alcester\$			Hurley	100.00	
Beresford	225.00	25.00	Humboldt	20.00	5.00
Canton	375.00	76.00	Lennox	25.00	
Colman	180.00	80.00	Meckling		10.80
Colton	200.00	46.40	Madison	1.000.00	
Centerville	550.00	220.00	Montrose	50.00	21.20
Dell Rapids	250.00	28.16	Parker	185.00	5.00
Davis	5.42		Rowena	72.00	64.00
Elk Point	50.00		Sioux Falls	1.493.00	455.50
Ellis		5.00	Valley Spgs		
Flandreau	50.00	10.00	Vermillion	1.050.00	245.00
Gayville	100.00	160.90	Yankton	225.00	5.00
Garretson		2.50			
Hartford	150.00	106.25	\$1	2,455.42	\$2,571.71

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Town	Sub.	Paid	Town	Sub.	Paid
Beresford\$	15.00 \$	5.00	Parker	70.00	25.00
Canton	60.00	5.00	Sioux Falls	55.00	40.00
Colton	15.00	5.00	Vermillion	210.00	20.00
Davis	201.00	21.00			
Elk Point	5.00	5.00		631.00	\$ 126.00

#### WATERTOWN DISTRICT.

#### Endowment Fund.

	E	naowmen	t Fund.		
Town	Sub.	Paid	Town	Sub.	Paid
	110.00 500.00	\$ 5.00	Kampeska Lake Preston		135.00
	395.00	60.00 60.00	Marietta Milbank		$10.00 \\ 752.00$
Bushnell	600.00	10.00	Sisseton		25.00 20.00
Castlewood Effington	100.00	35.00	Watertown Webster		590.50 10.40
Florence	035.00	5.00 5.00	White Rock and Windom		12.00
Gary	185.00 250.00	25.00	White		5.00
Hazel	98.55 184.00	146.50 53.00		\$6,838.29	\$1,964.40
		Contin	gent Fund.		
Town	Sub.	Paid	Town	Sub.	Paid
Brookings\$ Big Stone	5.00 125.00	\$ 5.00 5.00	*Clear Lake Milbank		
Brown's Valley Corona	85.00	10.00 $15.25$	Sisseton		15.00 $40.00$
*Diamond	45.00	5.00	White Rock and Windom	440.00	20.00

# REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EPWORTH LEAGUE.

The committee make the following recommendations:

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First. All league chapters should promptly respond to the appeal made by the General Secretary to remit dues for the payment of the central office at the rate of five cents for every senior, three cents for every intermediate and two cents for every junior member. This is according to the action of the last General conference and is a disciplinary rule.

Second. Mission study, bible study, Christian stewardship, and the Morning Watch are practical measures and their adoption would result in incalculable good. Mission study and Christian stewardship are especially commended to your immediate attention.

Third. We believe that great loss is sustained where the District organization is neglected. The interchange of purpose, experience and inspiration at the District convention is a factor of no small value. We recommend that where there is no organization that the district superintendent appoint a temporary president and secretary and plan to hold a convention during the year.

# AUDITING TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS.

Your committee on Auditing the Treasurer's accounts begs to report that after careful examination of the books we find them to be correct.

A. P. JANES, Chairman.

R. E. TARLETON, Secretary.

# WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The success of this Society continues to call us to thank God for raising it up as a branch of Missionary effort. The large sum of money the Society has raised in small amounts to carry forward its work and the able manner in which it is administered make us confident of its future success.

We regret the withdrawal of Mrs. Houser from the office of conference Secretary after thirteen years of devoted and successful service, but we welcome as her successor so capable and consecrated a worker as Mrs. J. P. Jenkins. We trust that with the district secretaries as her helpers, and our loyal Church as her field, the coming year may be the most successful in the history of the society, and that the standard set, viz: "A auxiliary in every church," shall be realized. To this end we pledge our loyal support.

A. C. McLEAN, Chairman.

HENRY PRESTON, Secretary.

# REPORT OF VISITORS TO GARRETT BIBLICAL INSTITUTE.

Your committee is pleased to report that Garrett Bibical Institute is doing high grade work for Methodism. Its faculty are specialists in their various fields, exacting in their insistence on thorough scholarship and loyal to high ideals of ministerial equipment. The new library adds greatly to the opportunities of the students; is catalogued on the most modern plan, and is exceptionally rich in Methodistical literature, manuscripts and prints. ligious life of the students is maintained at a high grade of personal piety and practical efficiency. Many of the student pastors report large numbers of conversions. The proximity of Chicago affords at the same time a challenge to the religious zeal of the students and an opportunity of studying at first hand the most varied agencies of social and spiritual remedy. We are proud to note that the high type of scholarship which the school maintains is conjoined with an intense evangelistic spirit. We commend this school and its high privileges to the young men of our Church who would seek to be "thoroughly furnished for the work of the ministry."

H. S. WILKINSON.

# RESOLUTIONS CONCERNING BALLOT LAW REFORM.

Whereas, the present ballot law of the State provides that the name of a candidate shall not appear more than once on the official ballot, even though two or more political parties nominate the same man for a given office, and: Whereas, the advancement of every moral reform demands the co-operation of all moral forces regardless of all political affiliations therefore:

Be it resolved, that we will use all honorable means to elect to the legisature such men as are willing to co-operate in the effort to amend Section 1892 of the Revised Political Code of 1903, so that if two or more political parties nominate the same man for a given office the name of such candidate shall appear in the party column of each party making such nomination.

O. W. BUTTERFIELD, Secretary.

# AUDITING DISTRICTS SUPERINTENDENT ACCOUNTS.

We, your committee, having examined the District Supt.'s accounts, do find them correct.

L. L. LAYNE, Chairman.

C. C. BOSLAUGH, Secretary.

# HOSPITALS.

Believing that hospital work has been one of our most efficient agencies in Foreign Mission fields and that we have been slow in realizing our great opportunities in this line on the home field, we commend Asbury Hospital to all our people, and recommend that Dakota Conference undertake to raise not less than \$500.00 for this worthy institution at Minneapolis, this amount to be equitably apportioned to the Charges by the District Superintendents.

W. A. WILKINSON, Chairman.

EDGAR E. SAXTON, Secretary.

#### COUNTY OPTION.

We, as Methodist Preachers, convened in Conference Session at Sioux Falls, S. D., believing in "No taxation without representation" and whereas our farming communities are paying three fourths of the taxes without having a voice in the matter of the license questions; and

Whereas, the brewers and saloon keepers have organized their forces, subsidized many newspapers, printed misrepresentation of facts and are attempting to deceive the voters as to the real issue.

Therefore, we positively condemn those newspapers, especially the leading dalies, publishing their material from the breweries, as it is hurtful and degrading to the people, and antagonistic to the moral and spiritual life of every Christian home.

Moreover, we as a Conference pledge ourselves individually for the sake of home, humanity and the Church to put forth in concerted action every effort in our power by personal work in solicitation and correspondence, and from our pulpit and in the school house of our rural communities.

In every legitimate way we will strive to secure County Option which will grant that rightful privilege at the polls, due every legal voter in this United States, and then we will honor God, and this state of ours shall be the land of the free and the home of the brave.

We pledge our support only to those candidates who stand for the moral uplift of our State, as there is a deep laid plot among the liquor interests for the defeat of these men irrespective of party lines, and since it has come to light that the allied liquor interests are secretly plotting to defeat every temperance man on the state tickets and since we know these men to be clean, high-minded American citizens and Christian men of unimpeachable character.

Therefore be it resolved, that this conference extends to these men thus attacked, its active sympathy and unqualified support in their great battle for pure politics and a clean state.

In case of change of appointment at this session we will make arrangements with our successor to remain upon our present charges and work for this cause until after the day of election.

W. A. WILKINSON, Chairman.

J. E. LOMBARD, Secretary.

# PERMANENT CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS FUND.

The Conference Board of Trustees desire to report:

First: That the salary of the Conference Claimants Secretary shall be \$1,500.00 and expenses.

Second: The Conference Claimants Secretary shall make a monthly report to the Secretary of the Board of Trustees, of all moneys, notes, etc., received and an itemized report of his expenses.

Third: The salary of said Secretary shall be paid from fund created by the ministers of this Conference and not from moneys paid by the layman toward the building of the Permanent Fund.

J. B. DIBBLE, President.

G. W. ROSENBERRY, Secretary.

# OUR PARSONAGE FURNITURE.

In view of the fact that, in many of our Conferences heavy parsonage furniture, such as range, heater, rugs and carpets etc., is provided by the churches, that in but few of the charges of this Conference are these articles provided and that such provision would materially assist our pastors and facilitate moving and getting settled and thus the sooner enable them to devote their energies to the work committed to them.

Resolved, that we tactfully urge upon our congregations the importance of beginning or continuing this work, as circumstances require, as rapidly as practicable and that we earnestly request the Laymens Association of this Conference to co-operate in this needed advance.

J. E. LOMBARD.

G. D. BROWN.

J. W. TAYLOR.

# REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Since here is a constantly increasing need for a more concerted effort upon the part of our Dakota Conference in the interest of our Sunday Schools and in view of the recent General Conference legislation concerning the Sunday School, this committee recommends the hearty co-operation of our conference. It is therefore urged that we appoint a Conference Board of Sunday Schools according to the plan suggested by the general board.

It is further urged that all pastors observe Sunday School day (last Sunday in October or some more convenient Sunday) as provided in the discipline, paragraph 349.

We exhort our pastors to be more fully awake to our great opportunity of establishing Sunday Schools in our neglected rural districts; making it a rule to maintain at least one Sunday School in each School District.

LORAN A. McDONALD, Chairman.

R. C. SHEARER, Secretary.

# HOME MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION.

We recognize the importance of the work of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension; we find that it has added more than 300 churches within the bounds of our Conference and many of these churches never would have built had it not been for the aid of the Society. The work of these two societies go hand in hand; it is the duty of the missionary to gather the congregations; and for church extension to provide the building.

We note with pleasure the efforts being made to build churches and rapidly develop the new territory in our Western States. We congratulate the Board upon the success already achieved and promise it our aid and support and as a Conference we will not be content with other than securing the full apportionment from each charge. We recommend the dissemination of the literature so freely given us by this board.

We are pleased to welcome to our conference the Field Secretary, Dr. J. H. Fitzwater who represented the work of the Board and delivered the annual address at this anniversary on Sunday evening, Oct. 25.

W. D. DEEBLE, Chairman.

# SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

We thank God for the Christian Sabbath, and deplore the fact that in so many places there are agencies at work that make it easy to desecrate the day. We are in hearty sympathy with any legislation that will aid in protecting the sanctity of the Sabbath and that will make it a misdemeanor to engage in public amusements maintained by the charging of fees on this day.

We urge our pastors to preach on this subject and do their utmost to stir up public opinion in favor of Sabbath observances. We pledge our support to the bill on this subject now submitted to the voters of our state.

W. E. HARTUNG, Chairman.

W. E. GALE, Secretary.

# TEMPERANCE.

We commend the no license work done by the Anti Saloon League, the Women's Christian Temperance Union, and the Prohibition party of the State. We advise that all our pastors and people do their best to secure the co-operation of all available forces, for the enactment of the County Option law at the coming general election. We urge the speedy passage of Federal amending the interstate commerce law so as to make all interstate shipments of liquor subject to the police power into which they are being shipped, and as soon as they enter such state. The urgent need is shown by the fact that about two thirds of the territory of the United States is already free from the licensed saloon, but the Federal law renders the enforcement of the local laws impossible. We denounce as vicious the course pursued by the Speaker of the Lower House of Congress in suppressing Reform Legislation by refusing to allow certain reform measures to come to vote in that body. We urge that our own people seek to elect to congress such men as will support all Temperance Legislation, and will seek to elect as Speaker, a man who will grant to every measure an honest hearing and a "square deal." We recognize the great possibilities for reform through the Anti Saloon League movement, and recommend the selection of the following men to represent our Church in that body: A. C. Shepherd, A. E. Carhart, G. T. Notson, E. E. Hunt, A. S. Lovearl, and as delegates to the National Convention A. E. Carhart and C. E. Hager. We suggest as our judgment that the League should publish the attitude, upon necessary legislation of all candidates for state offices and so far as it may seem practicable of all legislative condidates, in order that the Christian voter may the more intelligently mark his ballot.

We heartily endorse the effort being made to rescue our National Birthday from the forms of sin so prevalent on that day and recommend that our Churches and Sabbath Schools do all in their power to make it a day of true patriotism and reform.

O. W. BUTTERFIELD, Chairman.

# FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We rejoice in the part our Church is taking in the work of Foreign Missions and note with joy the rapid growth of the work in Southern Asia, China, Korea, and other Mission Fields. We regret that amidst our prosperity we hear from the Mission Board that they are facing a possible deficit in the missionary offerings for this year and urge that our Pastors take a special "Free Will Offering" and forward at once to Homer Eaton, Missionary Treasurer, and if possible in this way turn aside this unspeakable calamity.

We are in hearty sympathy with the helpful legislation of the General Conference on the subject of an advanced movement along the line of a new standard of giving and better conference organization of the Foreign Missionary Work among pastors and laymen.

We pledge our best endeavor to bring our people up to this new standard of giving and willingly co-operate with our Conference Board and laymen's organization in any plan they may have for our Conference. We must express our hearty appreciation of the work done by J. E. Crowther, our Conference Missionary Secretary during the past year and bid him "God Speed" in his new field of labor.

Furthermore, we approve of and commend the approaching "Africa Diamond Jubilee" and pledge to it our loyal support and co-operation.

J. M. TIBBETTS, Secretary.

# CONFERENCE BOARD OF STEWARDS.

Receipts this year were as follows:

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Chartered Fund         22 00           Interest         87 00           Total         \$2,329 00           By vote of the Conference distribution was made as follows:           To Connectional Fund 5 per cent of Collections         \$105 00           S. F. Brown, Bangor         230 00           D. W. Chamberlain, Scotland         75 00           W. O. Gram, Bath         100 00           J. G. Hall, 111 Columbia Ave., Redlands, Cal.         225 00           L. Hartsough, Mt. Vernon, Iowa         300 00           A. Jamieson, Correctionville, Iowa         200 00           O. A. Phillips, Mitchell         100 00           H. M. Springer, Hartford, Vt.         125 00           A. E. Tanner, Mitchell         100 00           T. Wilkinson, Siloam Spgs., Ark.         90 00           O. Williams, Mitchell         112 00           T. H. Youngman, Canon City, Col.         112 00           Mrs. Ann B. Burdick, University Place, Lincoln, Neb.         100 00           Mrs. Annie Cooper, Leeds, England         190 00           Mrs. Alida Corey, Seattle, Wash         50 00           Mrs. Achsah B. Curl., 1102 Wood St., Oakland, Cal.         150 00           Mrs. Kate Hoadley, 606 Dexter Ave., N. Seattle, Wash         50 00           Mrs. Kate Hoadley, 606 Dex	From Collections\$2,09	96	00
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The sums received from the Book Concern, Chartered Fund and Interest, amounting to \$1,233, were but 32 per cent of enough to meet all equitable claims, reckoned upon the basis of service rendered. Though the data for calculation is incomplete, it is believed that \$5,500 should be raised each year to meet all equitable and necessitous claims in the Dakota Conference.

W. O. REDFIELD, Chairman.

A. E. CARHART, Secretary.

#### CHURCH LITERATURE.

We rejoice in the continued success of the Book Concern of our church. We urge our pastors to support all of its interests. We note that only 400 Northwestern Advocates are taken in our Conference membership. This number we confidently believe can and ought to be greatly increased by diligence on the part of our pastors. We urge the use of our own church publications in the Sunday Schools of our Church. We consider it disloyalty to the Church and her honored superannuates to use any Sabbath School literature other than our own, because of the profits derived therefrom and because of its own intrinsic value to our work.

H. P. EBERHART, Chairman.

A. S. LOVEALL, Secretary.



# PLANS AND RULES

# EXAMINATION IN THE CONFERENCE COURSE OF STUDY ADOPTED BY DAKOTA CONFERENCE

# 1-BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

The board of examiners of the Dakota Conference shall consist of twelve members, who shall be nominated by the cabinet, and appointed by the presiding Bishop.

The board shall be divided into four classes, of three members each, whose terms of service shall, at the first appointment, be for one, two, three and four years respectively, and thereafter for four years successively; each examiner being eligible for successive reappointment.

Vacancies occurring during the year may be filled by the chairman of the board, until the ensuing Annual Conference, when appointments shall be made as for full terms.

All appointments of examiners are to be made, if possible, as early as the third day of each Annual Conference session.

#### 2—OFFICERS.

The board shall organize by electing from its members, annually, at its first regular meeting, a chairman, a vice chairman, and a secretary, who shall perform the usual duties of these officers.

The work of the secretary shall also include the keeping of a permanent book record of the standing and credits of all candidates subject to examination by the board; and he shall report the same to the Conference when required. This record shall also contain the credits allowed candidates for work done in our literary and theological schools.

# 3-EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The officers of the board shall constitute an executive committee, which shall have authority, under direction of the board, to select the place and fix the date of the mid-year meeting, arrange the literary and religious program in connection with the same, and attend to all general matters of business in the intervals between board meetings.

#### 4—REGULAR MEETINGS.

The board of examiners shall hold three regular meetings each year as follows:

- 1. At the seat of the Annual Conference, before the close of the annual session if possible, or as soon thereafter as practicable, for the election of officers and the assignment of work for the year. At this meeting the various examinations and other work in connection therewith should be assigned definitely to the several members of the board; a schedule of the studies and subjects in the courses with the names of examiners, and the times of examination, should be prepared for publication in the Conference Minutes, or otherwise, and general plans outlined for the mid-year meeting of the board.
- 2. A mid-year meeting to be held in the month of May of each year, the session not to continue longer than four days, usually from Tuesday to Friday inclusive; the first two days being devoted mainly to special reviews, the last two mainly to examinations.

All undergraduates, and as far as possible, all candidates for admission to the Conference, and all local preachers who are candidates for orders, are required to attend this mid-year meeting, unless excused from attendance, for adequate cause, by the chairman of the board.

At this meeting examinations shall be conducted on at least one-half of the books or subjects on which examinations are to be conducted during the year.

It is expected that special lectures and other literary and religious exercises shall be provided in connection with the regular work of the session, for the enjoyment and profit of all in attendance.

In place of the mid-year meeting, the board may, at its option, provide for mid-year examinations at district meetings.

3. The board of examiners shall also convene at the seat of the Annual Conference, each year, the day before the Conference session begins, to review and complete the work of the year, and especially to conclude the examination of all candidates in the courses of study related to the work of that year. All examinations must be completed by the evening of the first day of the Conference session.

#### 5—SYSTEMATIC STUDY.

It shall be one duty of the board to secure more systematic work among the undergraduates in the four years' course of study—a duty not less important than to provide for more careful examinations. Therefore as far as practicable, the examiners shall give to

the undergraduates and others, suggestions and instructions with reference to proper and profitable study of the books and subjects in all the required courses.

#### 6—QUESTIONS AND EXAMINATIONS.

As a rule, all examinations shall be in writing.

All candidates in the same class, who are examined at the same time, shall be tested by the same questions.

A list of not fewer than ten questions shall be prepared on each book or subject assigned for examination.

In the case of all candidates for "admission on trial," the board is instructed to examine first in the "Elementary English Branches," and if the candidate fails to pass in these with reasonable credit, other examinations shall be postponed; and he shall be required to bring up these studies before he is admitted to examination in others.

In case of unavoidable absence from the meetings of the Board of any examiner, he shall forward his list of questions to the Chairman, who will arrange for supervision of the examinations.

#### 7—SYLLABI AND OTHER PAPERS.

All essays and sermons shall be graded, and the grading recorded, as in the case of books and subjects to be studied.

All written work for the year, except such final examinations on textbooks and subjects, as are reserved for the third meeting of the Board, shall be forwarded to the appropriate Examiners at least one month before the date of the Annual Conference.

#### 8-GRADES AND GRADING.

All grades shall be made on a scale of 100; and the minimum grade, upon which a candidate in the regular Conference course, or for admission on trial, may be passed, is seventy per cent on each study or subject.

Candidates for local Deacons' or Elders' orders must reach the grade of at least sixty per cent.

Each Examiner shall forward to the Secretary, as soon as practicable after the completion of the examination, the papers, certificates and grades of each candidate; and the Secretary shall file the papers, and make a permanent record of all grades and credits. On receipt of these certificates of grades and credits from the Examiner, the Secretary shall also promptly notify the candidates in writing of the result of their examinations, which notification shall be to the candidates an official certificate of their work.

In case any candidate fails to pass in any study or examination, the Secretary shall notify the Chairman of the Board, as well as the candidate.

#### 9-APPEALS.

In case any candidate appeals from the grade markings of any Examiner, the Board of Examiners shall investigate the matter, and make the final decision thereon.

All examination papers for the preceding year shall be destroyed at the close of each session of the Annual Conference; and no appeal shall be entertained thereafter.

#### 10-MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS.

No candidate shall be entitled to advanced classification who has failed to pass in two books or subjects to be studied, or three books to be read, or in one to be studied and two to be read; and no candidate shall be entitled to examination in advanced studies until he has brought up the work on which he is delinquent.

#### 11—FEES.

To provide for the necessary expenses of the Board, an annual fee of one dollar shall be required of each candidate for examination.

The under-graduate of the Conference shall forward this fee to the Secretary of the Board, annually, within sixty days of the adjournment of Conference. On receipt of the money, the Secretary shall send the candidate a certificate which shall entitle him to all the privileges and examinations of the Board for the year.

Candidates for admission on trial, or for local orders, must also forward this fee of one dollar before they can be considered eligible for examination. At the third meeting of the Board a committee shall be appointed to audit the financial accounts of the Secretary.

#### 12-FOR ADMISSION OR ORDERS.

It shall be the duty of the Presiding Elders to report to the Secretary of the Board as early in the year as possible the names of all candidates for orders. These will be expected to take their examinations at the regular meeting of the Board, and should be put in correspondence with the secretary so as to learn the requirements which apply to them.

#### 13—PUBLICATION.

A copy of this plan, together with the detailed sechedule of studies and assignments to Examiners, shall be printed from year to year in the Conference Minutes, and if thought necessary, the Board may also publish the same in pamphlet form.

#### 14—AMENDMENTS.

The Board of Examiners shall be a permanent committee on the revision and amendment of the plans and methods herein presented:

but before they become a valid part of the plan, or are used or published by the Board, all proposed changes must be accepted by a vote of the Conference.

H. S. WILKINSON, Chairman.

#### 1—SCHEDULE OF CLASSES.

The Chairman shall arrange schedule of classes, and the hours for the meeting of each, to be strictly adhered to, at the Annual Conference examination.

#### 2—SEPARATE BUILDING,

The Board requests that a room, separate from the church in which the Conference is held, be provided each year, in which to hold examinations.

#### 3—GRADES FROM CONFERENCES.

Acceptance of grades from other Conferences shall, in every instance, be optional with the Board. A low grade as a rule, will not be recognized.

#### 4—SPECIAL ADVICE.

- 1. Examiners are expected as far as desirable to assist students in their work. Students should report progress and pursue studies under general directions of examiners. No student will be permitted to take any examinations in advance of the year until all the work of the year has been completed.
- 2. At least one-half of the studies are required at the midyear examination.
- 3. \*Examinations will be given only at the times provided in the rules of the Board.
- 4. Examiners and students should read in Discipline, Appendix 56-60, also in Conference Minutes, "Plans and Rules for Examinations."
- 5. Requirements for syllabi should be presented to students as early as February 1st of each year.
- 6. The Registrar should receive reports from examiners of all studies presented, grading on a scale of 100 all papers on such studies. All syllabi, sermons, and essays that are accepted shall be graded a, b or c, which shall represent the following values: a, 100 to 90; b, 90 to 80; c, 80 to 70.
- 7. Each student should remit an examination fee of one dollar to the Registrar before the time of mid-year examinations.

In order to secure a more systematic and efficient supervision of the Conference Courses of Study, and examinations thereon, the plans and methods given above shall be followed, subject to revision and amendment. By order of the Conference.

<sup>\*</sup>Books to be read to be reported one month before Conference.

#### MEMOIR

#### THE REV. T. H. WALKER.

T. H. Walker was one of a family of ten, born in the village of Vancleek Hill, Province of Ontario, Canada, March 22, 1836, and died at Siloam Springs, Ark., September 2, 1908. He was converted when sixteen years of age, but states in his diary that he never knew the time when he did not pray or was without fear of God. But when sixteen years of age, while kneeling before God in a school-house, love took the place of fear and he arose from his knees a new creature. Seven years after his conversion he entered the ministry of the Wesleyan Church in Canada. He had prepared himself to teach school and was on his way to meet the school board and sign a contract, when he received a letter from the minister who was instrumental in his conversion, asking him to become his assistant pastor. That letter changed the whole course of his life, as he felt it to be God's call to the work of the ministry, His first circuits were wide and long and the people poor. Living stones for the temple of God had to be blasted from nature's quarry. The Master placed his broad seal upon his work and scores of souls were saved under his ministry. After laboring a number of years in Canada, in 1872 he moved to the United States and entered the Wisconsin Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church. eleven years he labored in that conference and had precious revivals on all of his charges. In 1883, on account of a throat difficulty, he moved to the drier atmosphere of South Dakota, and in the Dakota Conference he spent seven successful years. His greatest revival in that Conference was on the Parker charge. In Dakota he was overtaken by a great calamity which swept away all his worldly possessions and shattered his health so that he never fully recovered. He was living in the basement of the University when the building took fire, and he barely escaped with the lives of his loved ones. He could have saved some of his goods, ,but his whole thought was to save the lives of the students, some of whom, but for his self-denying labors, would have been lost in the burning building. Brother Walker moved to the state of Arkansas in 1890 and moved to Siloam Springs in 1905. During his stay in Arkansas he has done what he could to build up the cause of Christ, preaching with acceptability without remuneration where the gospel was most needed. He leaves a wife and five children. Three children have preceded him to the better land. He lost his first wife in August, 1877. Four small children were left without a mother's care. The following year he married Sister Walker, who proved to him a faithful, loving wife and a real mother to his children. Brother Walker was a good husband, a kind father, one of the best of neighbors, and in the truest sense a man of God.—Thomas Wilkinson.

#### CONFERENCE NECROLOGY

Name	Place of Death	Time of Death	Age	Years in Ministry	Conference Relation
John M. Rust Thomas M Williams. William H. Hoadley. T. S. Hunt Wm. H. Affleck. Wm. Vivian. Chas. B. Gilbert Stanley S. Smith. Ira A. Sparks Wm. Wesley Brown. Geo. B. Dodd A. R. Boggs Oliver H. Sproul Francis A. Burdick H. T. Curl Hiram S. Coon Colin T. Cooper. Geo. H. Parker Sanford Washburn Francis T. Nicholls. Wm. H. Cory. Wm. Underwood Lachlin McLean T. H. Walker	Vermillion, Dakota. Bridgewater, Dakota Huron, Dakota. Aurora, Indiana. Leeds, England. San Fernando, Cal.  Thomasburg, Ontario Colman, S. Dak. Mitchell, S. Dak. Northville, S. Dak. University Place, Nb. Oakland, Cal. Kampeska, S. Dak. Faulkton. S. Dak. Chicago Ill. Alcester. S. Dak. Seattle, Wash. White Lake, S. Dak. Mitchell, S. Dak. Siloam Sp'gs., Ark.	1871 18826 1887 18887 18889 18899 1899 1899 1899 1	41 501 57 76 45  29 32 36 64 53 53 54 57 57 57 57 57 57 57 57 57 57	16 8 11 96 29 226 233 64 41 11 15 26 26 27 28 28 29 29 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20	Effective Effective Supernumerary Effective Effective Supernumerary Probationer Probationer Effective Supernumerary Probationer Supernumerary Probationer Effective Superannuate Effective Superannuate Superannuate Effective Effective Effective Superannuate Effective Superannuate Effective Superannuate Effective Superannuate Effective Superannuate Effective Superannuate Superannuate Effective Superannuate Superannuate Superannuate

#### SESSIONS OF DAKOTA MISSIONS AND CONFERENCE

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#### SCHEDULE OF CONFERENCE CLASSES AND EXAMINERS

Examiner	For Admission	First Year	Second Year	Third Year	Fourth Year	Local Orders
Taylor Loveall Harkness Brown Roseberry Fillebrown Dibble Rifenbark Deeble Jenkins	Discipline Sermon Crist'n Perfect'n. Rhetoric Doctrine Life of Wesley Outlines of Hist'y Bible History Books to be Read	Sheldon Kirkpatrick Sermon Homiletics	Price Sheldon   Essay History of Eng. Logic	Sermon Land of Israel Psychology Christian Church. Universal History	Christian Belief. Ethics Christian Church Butler's Analogy. Universal History Essay	Ch'ge of Chairn

At least half of the work at the mid-year examinations. Sermons and essays and reports on books to be read to be forwarded at least one month before Conference. For any information as to examinations, credits, etc., write the chairman, H. S. Wilkinson, Mitchell, S. D.

#### LIST OF UNDERGRADUATES

In Studies of First Year	In Studies of Second Year	In Studies of Third Year	In Studies of Fourth Year
V. K. Brown. Chicago, Ill.	A. E. HockingFulton John WoodCavour C. Lockriuge, Greencastle, Ind. Joseph Snowden. California J. D. StevensCarpenter H. C. GrafKimball E. R. LittleWesington		Lawrence L. Layne Doland C. C. Boslaugh Wolsey Ernest Holgate Faulkton H. P. Eberhart Gayville N. F. Sanderson Andover H. G. Ozanne Garden City G. D. Egner Bradley

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Name of Charge	Name of Pastor	Salary	House Rent	Total	Salary	House Rent	Total	Deficiencies	Amount	Amount Paid	Amount	Amount Paid	Total Support. Pres'd'g Elders &	Collections	Other Sources	Total	Church, Sexton, Light, Fuel, Etc.	Sunday School Lesson Leaves, Books, Etc.
Alpena Blunt Burdette Cavour Carpenter DeSmet Esmond Faulkton Gettysburg Harrold Highmore Hitchcock Huron Foquois Esbanon Miller Ottumwa Pierre Philip Redfield Rockham Geneca Fulare Vessington Vessington Sprigs Vess'ngton Sprigs Volsey Total	J. D. Stevens O. W. Butterfield R. B. Hughes A. S. Loveall Peter J. King Jas. S. Harkness Chas. W. Bullock T. Simmons J. L. Walsh John Clayton J. M. Tibbetts t A. E. Hocking	\$1000  350  350  350  700  800  700  800  750  750  650  650  650  650  650  650  1150  600  700  450  600  700  \$20300	50 15 144 120 120 100 100 100 150 420 100 150 	1120 850 800 920 900 1920 750 1300 100 1550 600 700 450 450 450 450	\$1000 350 294 500 650 800 1000 750 1500 650 505 1150  1200 375 1000 650 700 1500 415 700	100 150 150 150	850 757 9200 900 1920 750 1300  1550 375 1300 650 450 6556 850 1650 415 820	145 225 50 145 145 35	40 60 60 150 45 70	\$100  436  20  60  80  70  100  70  45  140  60  60  60  150  \$1794	10 12 12 14 3  8 12 20 10 9 17  15 15 14 20 	\$10  10 12 14 3 12 14 3 12 10 15 15  18 4 15 15 9 4 20 6 7	\$1254 445 520 864 1012 1234 9237 998 957 2080 835 665 1415 706 495 725 914 1820 466 897	24 30 25 3 3  35 15 2 16  20 22 5 16 5 30 21 16 15 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16	3 25 7 1 5	\$30  6 24 30 25 6  8 40 35 22 30 35 22 30 30 35 22 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30	\$ 40 	53 200 60 38 90  100 20 100 35 25 100 36 150

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Alexandria. Armour Artesian Bard and Riverside Bridgewater Canistota Chamberlain Dudley and Stickney Ethan Fulton and Fairview Farmer Fairfax Geddes Gregory Herrick and Burke Howard Kennebec Kimball La Roche Letcher Mitchell Minty Circuit Mt. Vernon Murdo Parkston Platke Presho Salem Scotland Springfield Pripp and Delmont Fyndall Wagner and Avon White Lake Woonsocket	188	2244   566   1000   1		3 1 1	3 .6 	6 2 1 3 3 3 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	300 88 266 266 26 26 26 26 26 26 26 26 26 26 2	218 85 1500 100		\$5250 3000 25000 2000 3000 2000 2500 1600 1500 4800 2500 2500 2500 2500 2500 2500 2500 3500 3		\$2000 2000 2000 2000 2000 1700 2000 3000 1000 4000 2000 1000 1000 1000 2500 1700	38 60 2000 400 	\$630 246 100 325 586 19	\$	2 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 1 1 2 1 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	30   8   26   13   14   18   9   11   17   10   15   13   19   15   10   17   45   12   12   12   12   16   7   16   16   7   16   16   17   16   16	218 85 150 100 40 100 79 134 130 75 180 75 12 160 12 55 130 75 130 75 12 11 11 15 160 12 150 12 150 12 150 150 150 150 150 150 150 150 150 150	158 600 1200 488 300 800 900 555 900 550 400 125 100 400 600 125 600 125 600 788 955 600 788 955 600 788 955 600 788 955 755 800 755 800 755 800 800 800 800 800 800 800 800 800 8	25	30 8 24 9 6 13 12 10 16  11 7 7 3 3 10 20 20 17 44 6 13 3 9 8 8 18 2 10 11 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	163	18 2 25 26 2 10 22 27 3 8 15 3 8 5 43 8 5	

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Alexandria Armour Artesian Bard and Riverside Bridgewater Canistota Chambarlain Dudley and Stickney Ethan Fulton and Fairview Farmer Fairfix Geddes Gregory Herrick and Burke Howard Kennebec Kimball La Roche Letcher Mitchell Mt. Vernon Minty Circuit Murdo Parkston Plankinton Platte Presho Salem Scotland Springfield Tripp and Delmont Tyndall Wagner and Avon White Lake Woonsocket	Fred James S. C. Ondrozeck I. A. McDonald T. H. Hendricks F. E. Stahl W. S. Scott Samuel Marble A. E. Carhart A. P. Janes F. S. Kruwell W. A. Walcott Louis S. Lane Zenas White H. C. Graf T. J. E. Black E. T. Underwood H. S. Wilkinson A. W. Thurston W. F. Minty C. M. Knight Albert Evans P. O. Bunt W. A. Greene J. R. Payne W. A. Wilkinson Chas. E. Wilcox T. M. Brimlow F. H. Ray I. B. Sevy R. N. Kratz J. C. Baker	\$1250 500 350 150 550 800 300 400 700 1000 225 750 700 600 205 1000 1000 1000 760 900 800 800 800 800 1000	200 250 250 250 250 100 360 360 360 180 120 120 120 120 120 120 200 200	\$1500 1000 350 1000 350 1000 300 400 700 1250 1096 225 1000 300 1150 1180 760 1100 920 922 920 560 900 1200	145 550 300 371 530 440 1000 562 1000 177 715 715 720 417 2000 1000 1000 1000 708 900 837 800 850 1000	160 250 250 120 100 360 300 150 180 200 120 120 120 120 200 200	1000 350 1455 550 1000 371 530 400 62 1096 177 2360 1250 517 2360 1260 1180 708 1180 708 1180 957 900 922 920 900 1200	29 170  250 138 48 35  300 	508 5277 366 5440 900 288 900 5440 5440 5440 900 900 900 900 900 900 900 900 900	5 6 5 8 2 2 2 3 6 6 3 9 0 5 4 8 8 2 2 7 7 6 6 3 9 0			1080 1080 1080 1080 1080 1080 1080 1080	15  23 34 20  30 10 45 20 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 3	10	30 31 27 24  25 10 8 10 30	115 100 48 25 150 20 150 25 75 160 25 35 170 100 100 100 100 175 50 47 175 175 175 175 175 175 175 17	7560 188 700 600 277 533 755 788 1377 77 326 602 240 211 211 355 603 855 604 444 708 801
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Name of Charge	No. of Probationers	No. of full members	No of local preachers	ofideaths	No. of Ch'1'rn baptised	No. of Adults baptised	No. of schools	No. of offic'r & te'chrs	No. of scholars	No. of Churches	Probable value	No. of parsonages	Probable value	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages	Paidon old Indebted- ness on church pro- erty	Present indebtedness of church property	of schools	No of officers and teachers	No. of scholars of all grades	Average attendance	No. of members in the Home Department	No. of officers and teachers who arech'ch mb'rs or probatloners	No. of scholars whether attendants or mb'rs in home dep't, who are ch'ch mb'rs or Probationers	No. mb'rs of S.S. converted during the year	Current expense
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East Sioux Falls Egan Elk Point* Flandreau Flandreau Circuit Garretson Gayville Harrisburg Hartford Hudson Hurley Junius Lennox Madison Marion Montrose	8 8 1 1 2	97 33 10 10 64 90 48 91 60 41 278	5 1 7 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1 1 2 2 2 	2 1  9 66 1  10	4 5	3	24 10 16 8 6 26 23 16 12 14 11 21 20 5	141 60 150 55 40 140 125 140 68 75 40 145 250 16	1 1 1 1 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1	1200 4500 5000 1000 3000 5500 2200 4500 4000 2000 3000 25000 2750	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1600 1500 2500 2500 1300 1000 1600 1500 1500 2000	100 15 100 65 250 300 75		300 225 600 1007 250  500  3000	1 2 1 1 3 3 1 2 1 2 2 1 1 1 1 1	16 8 6 26 23 16 12 14 11 21 20 5	60 150 55 40	25 118 90 98 52 70 25 95		20 5 14 8 6 23 18 12 14 9 18 20	80 50 60	15 10 4	90 76 62 12 12 12 14 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40
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Name of Charge	Name of Pastor	Salary	House Rent	Total	Salary	House Rent	Total	Deficiencies	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Amount	Amount Paid	Total Support, Pres'd'g Elders &	Collections	Other Sources	Total	Church, Sexton, Light, Fuel, Etc.	Sunday School Lesson Leaves, Books, Etc.
Canton Centerville Colman Colton Davis Dell Kapids East Sioux Falls Egan Elk Point * Flandreau Flandreau Circuit Garretson Gayville Harrisburg Harrisburg Hartford Hudson Hurley Junius Lennox Madison Marion Montrose Oldham Parker Sioux Falls, First Church Sioux Falls, Jordan Church Valley Springs Vermillion Wakonda Yankton	E. E. Saxton C. M. Stebbins John Jones John Beddoe H. C. Stebbins V. K. Brown W. B. Stewart D. C. Arms J. N. Oakley H. P. Eberhart E. S. Wilcox T. H. Trevithick C. E. Figles W. O. Redfield W. E. Stebbins I. E. Schuler A. D. Thibodeau  J. T. Gurney G. W. Prather G. D. Brown J. M. Brown J. M. Brown J. M. Brown S. H. Shurtleff P. H. Weston W. S. Shepherd H. W. Smith		\$160 150 120 125 150 125 150 150 120 120 120 120 120 120 120 120 120 12	\$760 1000 375 1600 940 1000 1000 750 1040 160 431 995 675 1000 750 825 823 545 1540 1180 625 6657 720 1180 625 6657 1400	\$600 650 550 275 1300 928 1000 600 9950  650 600 993 311 875 850 7505 583 425 1300 1000 1200 600 1200	\$160 150 150 120 125 150 125 150 120 120 120 120 120 120 120 120 120 12	700 275] 1600 940] 520 1078] 1078] 1040] 1040] 995 6750] 1040] 995 6750] 1540] 1540] 12500 2625	200 100 105 22  61  142  200	\$60 60 36 30 100 65 44 47 70 36 40 36 40 36 40 10 22 88 85 55 50 10 65 90	\$60 60 36 30 100 65 44 44 70 28 73 65 40 28 70 32 28 40 102  28 50 102  28 50 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100	\$	\$ 5 3 6 4 16 12 3 7 82 12 3 9 4 4 3 9 9 4 6 6 16 16 17 25 17 25 30 17 77 17 12	\$ 825 863 742 309 1716 1017 567 1139 1052 1212 1214 462 1077 721 1080 788 894 723 591 1658 7591 12715 691 714 1769 809 1502	15 10 13 16 19 20 16 		\$840  8752  13165  1920  1666  18317  100  210  210  100  101	25 315 124 50 85 75 210	125 125 125 100 37 54 45 70 72 62 17 70 125 80 40 48 48 38 150 20 155 156 156 176 176 176
Total		\$25266	\$4627	\$29893	\$24586	\$4627	\$29213	\$830	\$2000	\$1987	\$ 265	\$258	\$31458	\$472	\$	\$472	\$4716	\$2377

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Name of Charge	No of Probationers	No. of full members	No. of local preachers No. of deaths	No. of Ch'l'rn baptised	No. of Adults baptised	No. of schools No. of offic'r & te'chers	of scholar	No. of Churches	Probable value  No. of parsonages  Probable value	Paid for building and improving churches and parsonages	Paid on old indebted- ness on church prop- erty	Present indebtedness of church property	No. of schools No. of officers and teachers Cacholars of all	Average attendance	No. of members in the Home Department	No, of officers and teachers who are ch'ch m'b'rs or probationers	No. of scholars whether attendants or mbrs in home dep't, who are ch'ch mb'rs or probatianers	No. of mb'rsof S.S. converted during the year	Current expenses
Arlington Big Stone Bradley Bradley Brookings Bruce Castlewood Clark Clear Lake Co'na, T'n B'ks, Wilm't Elkton and Aurora Florence Garden City Fary Hazel Henry Kampeska Lake Preston Milbank Sisseton Summit Vienna & Willow L'ks Watertown Waubay Webster White White White Brookings	2 12 6 8 25 7 13 10 8 9 21 12  2 28 4	144 86 71 228 14 75 192 86	1 2 1	3	444 6 15 77 31 6 29	1   15 1   16 2   12 1   26 1   12 1   15 1   12 1   15 1   12 2   9 1   18 2   17 2   29 1   12 2   27 1   14 2   22 1   11 1   12 2   21 1   14 2   22 1   11 1   12 2   22 1   11 2   22 1   11 1   22 1   12 2   22 1   11 2   22 1   11 1   22 1   23 1   24 1   24 1   25 1   25 1	160 110 95 320 75 99 155 125 176 210 120 120 156 210 156 210 156 210 145 125	112111113211112111112	\$ 3000   1   \$13 4500   1   12 20000   1   12 25000   1   12 25000   1   12 25000   1   20 8000   1   27 3000   1   20 6000   1   20 6000   1   20 6000   1   20 4000   1   10 4000   10	$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	100 270 200 51	\$ 1700 700 800 300 210 335 200 400 *800 150 850	1   15   16   11   2   12   9   1   15   15   15   15   15   15	0   988 0   806 5   600 1355 5   448 9   600 1205 5   800 1200 0   1255 0   900 155   833 1   1500 0   1255 0   1205 0   1205 0	15	144 164 111 255 66 151 10 155 18 177 222 111 155 121 19 30	1 80 65 50 15 60 75 100 100 35 73 125 71 1	16 35 35 30 19 22 9 8 8 37 5 	

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Name of Charge	Name of Pastor	Salary	House Rent	Total	Salary	House Rent	Total	Deficiencies	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Support; Pres'd'g Elders	Collections	Other Sources	Total	Church, Sexton, Light, Fuel, Etc.	Sunday School, Lesson Leaves, Books, Etc.
Brookings Bruce Castlewood Clark Clear Lake Clear Lake Clear Lake Glikton and Aurora Florence Garden City Gary Hazel Henry Kampeska Lake Preston Milbank Sisseton Summit Watertown Webster White	A. C. MacLean W. E. Gale Geo. D. Eagner E. P. Hall C. E. Waish Nels Fanebust J. B. Dibble T. Sanderson E. O' Machamer F. C. Page A. J. Oliver O. M. Hyde H. C. Riley J. A. Willey W. E. Harting A. L. Cathers C. H. Lawrence O. E. Boyce T. B. Dunn Earnest Redmayne J. P. Jenkins L. V. Slocumb Paul Gardner C. D. Lockridge Total	\$900 725 1400 445 550 1000 750 700 600 750 800 1000 800 1000 800 1500 1500 1000 700	\$120 150 100 300 120 180 250 150 150 150 150 150 120 250 150 120 250 150 150 150 150 150 150 150 1	\$1020  950  825  1700  565  730  1250  850  875  700  900  1180  920  1250  1250  1900  1250  1000  700	\$900 8000 *644 1400 445 550 1000 705 755 700 400 850 850 800 1000 8400 1500 910 910 854	150 100 300 120 1-0 250 150 150 150 150 150 120 250 150 150	744 1706 565 730 1250 880 700 1000 1000 965 440 1250 400 1250 1900 1250	0	80 64 140 105 105 75 75 75 70 40 40 100 100 100 100 150 150 150 150 180 180 180 180 180 180 180 180 180 18	80 64 140   140   150   75   75   75   82   80   100   80   100   80   100   100 	12 4 12 20 5 12 7 5 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 14 15 15 15 16 16 16 16 16 17	11 11 12 12 12 14 15 9 10 10	1042 812 1860 565 787 1361 962 778 439 1087 1047 736 1294 842 1008 1365 1039 448 2090	24 8 50 64 24  20 17 2 25 22 25 24 15 30 18	5	18 57 20 24	\$ 120 125 85 400 80 200 100 128 40 36 245 100 240 80 105 240 140 84 45 7 450 160 133	70 21 140 41 116 100 80 75 110 50 109 85 68 85 91 66 325 70

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Name of Chaage	(a) Church	(b) Spc'l Gifts Sunday School not divided	(a) Church	(b) Spc'l Gift	Children's fund for student aid	(a) Church	(b) S. S.	Total	Local Educational Interests	American Bible So	Woman's Foreign ionary Society	(a) Cash Home (b) Supplies ary	Tot	General Conference	Grand total
Aberdeen Andover Ashton Bath, Columbia and Putney Bowdle Bristol and Butler Britton Claremont Conde De Voe and Cresbard Doland Frankfort Frederick Groton Helca Herried and Pollock Langford Leola Mellette Northville Roscoe Selby Warner	31	30 39 16 10 7 20 5 171 \$199	\$300 20 30 30  15  33 4 50 80 80 22 38 48  7 10  81 32 29	\$15 50 28 25 17	100	13 12 7 5 9 10 11 12 14 5 7	\$ 5  12 16 14 2  3 17		20 24 12 55 18 19 38 10 3 9  55	\$ 1 1 2 5 1 1  2 2 2 2 2 7 2  2 	\$247 34 81 47 51 24 65 13 75 9 80 \$776	2	\$497 1512 186 188 23 152 35		\$108 11 15 31 35 25 11 11 37 48 100 37 4 41 104 44 11 40

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	(a) Church	(b) Spc'l Gifts	Sunday School divided	(a) Church	(b) Spc'l Gift	Children's fun student aid	(a) Church	(b) S. S.	Total	Local Educational Interests	American Bible	Woman's Foreign ionary Society	(a) Cash (b) Supplies	Total other collections	General	Grand total
Alpena Blunt. Burdette. Carpenter. DeSmet. Esmond. Faulkton. Gettysburg. Harrold. Highmore. Hitchcock.	\$ 77  12  7  23  35  75  90  12  22  31  46  190	\$ 15 50 100 50  15 40 73	10 11 11 15 34	\$ 92 3 6 15 40 85 90 24 14 84 159	16 6	2   4   5   20	2 3 3 9 20 12 1 12 1 3 1	\$12 5 10	\$177 55 99 144 400 188 158 164 266 266	4 39 30 60 60 15 10 67 100	\$ 2  1 2 3 1  2 5	12 52 223		166 45 74 17 144 427	22	\$ 334 20 22 252 258 468 468 150 124 461 1310
Iroquois. Lebanon. Miller. Pierre. Philip. Redfield. Rockham. Sandarck. Seneca.	63  90  128    36  13  	60	20	55  51  91  128  83  11	20	14   10   5   5	54      20      25   3 	5	5   14   35   30   30   3	40 43 60 3	1	2 16	2	30 42 100 283	16	28 28 66 10 62 3 2
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Woonsocket	Armour. Artesian. Bard and Riverside. Bridgewater. Canistota. Chamberlain. Dudley and Stickney. Ethan. Fulton and Fairview. Farmer. Fairfax. Geddes. Gregory. Herrick and Burke. Howard. Kennebec. Kimball. La Roche. Letcher. Mitchell. Minty Circuit. Mt. Vernon. Murdo. Parkston. Plankinton Platte. Presho. Salem. Scotland. Springfield. Fripp and Delmont Tyndall. Wagner and Avon.	\$100 755 500 25 10 22 122 123 66 66 22 62  16 150 162 150 162 135 153 309 45 90 945 90 90 945	\$ 115 	\$ 30 3 16 26 26 25 10	5 112  50  19  6  10  24  11  45  30  66   20  284  10  284  10  284  10  15  26  27  30  31  37	\$10	\$ 6 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	\$10    \$10    6    12    6       12    20    1    12    20    1    12    20    1    12    10    40    31    55    59    10    14    14    14    14    2    31	2 2	\$ 16   16   2   2     17   24   11   5   6   8   3   2   1   5   1   1   1   1   1   1   1   1   1   1	\$60 17 30 2 10  38 20 17 8 10  30  12 801  23 2 45 74  45 10 35 36 36 37 47 47 47 47 47 47 47 47 47 47 47 47 47	\$2 2  1 1 2  1 1  1  2  3 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	\$165 33 5 23  4  10 354 32  25 86  35		\$252 366 388 203 3225 45 355 17 107 366 226 357 557 107 271 166 559 308 844 32	3 4  2  3 3 4  3 2  3 9 3 3	\$ 862 136 253 86 22 307 143 167 144 10 26 57 2100 356 157 2100 357 2100 356 2100 356 2100 356 2100 356 357

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	(a) Church	(b) Spc'l Gifts	Sunday School divided	(a) Church	(b) Spc'l Gift	Children's fu student aid	(a) Church	(b) S. S.	Total	Local Educational Interests	American Bi	Woman's Foreign onary Society	(a) Cash (b) Supplies	Total other	General Cor	Grand total
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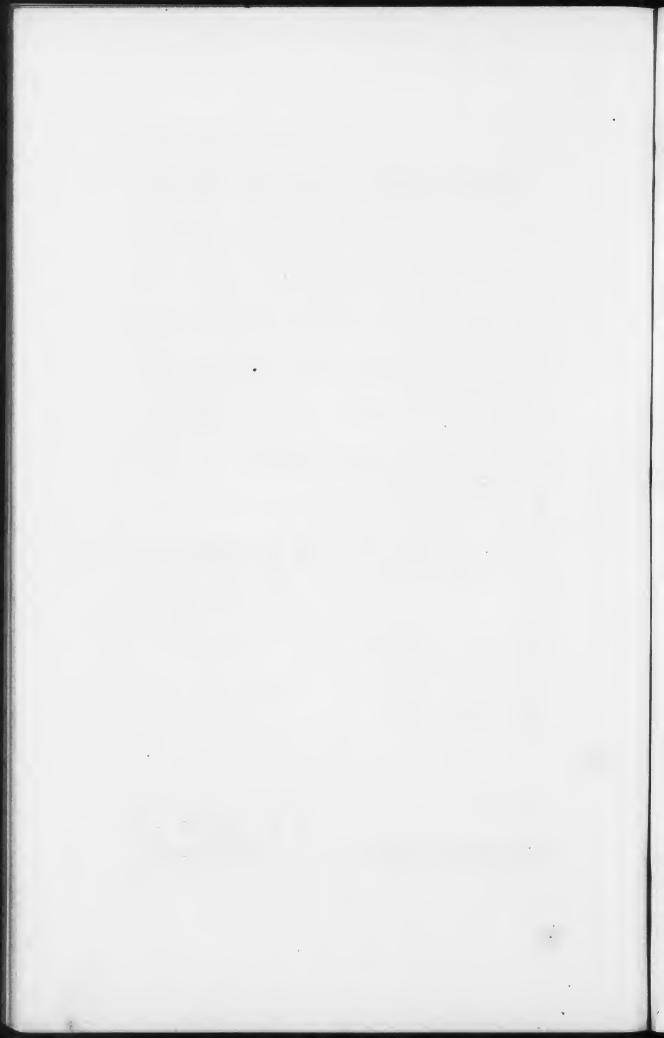
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Name of Districts	(a) Church	(b) Spc'l Gifts	Sunday School no	(a) Church	(b) Spc'l Gift	Children's fund f student aid	(a) Church	(b) s. s.	Total	Local Educational Interests	American Bible S	Woman's Foreign ionary Society	Cash Sup-	٩	General Conference	Grand total
Aberdeen— 1907 1908	\$ 561 942	171	\$129 199	869	135	\$101 111		79	366	629	34	776	\$65  30	\$ 891   564	$[\ldots]$	471
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Name of District	B'rd of Foreign, Home Missions and Church Extention	Collections for Fre'd- man's Aid & Sunday S's—Student Fund	Local Educational In- terests	American BibleSociety	Woman's Foreign Missoinary Society	Woman's Home Missionary Society	Total other benevolent collections	General Conference Expenses	Conference Claim	Episcopal Fund	Total
Aberdeen— 1907. 1908	\$1484 2287	\$276 364	\$497 597	\$36 35	\$886  790	\$65  64	\$891  514 <sub> </sub>	\$186	\$246 335	\$145 206	
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Sioux Falls— 1907 1908	988 4703 4784	383 397	972 923	39 40	128 860 1125	179 81 29	3050 1512 1189	206			4730 9501 9276
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